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Births.

LOWE.—Saturday, March 7, at Apsley, Wellington, Mrs. Stanley S. Lowe, of a son.

Deaths.

EVANS.—March 11, at his residence, Carlingford, John Evans, aged 56 years, late of Wyndham-street, Alexandria, van proprietor.

WALKER.—March 12, at his residence, 297 Liverpool-street, Major Charles Walker, in his 62nd year.

WOOD.—March 12, at Sydney, Georgina, relict of the late John Wood, of Glebe Point, and Edinburgh, Scotland. Cortège to leave her late residence, Grandview, Cowper-street, Waverley, THIS DAY, Friday, at 3.30 p.m.

In Memoriam.

ABIGAIL.—In memory of our dear Melinda (Minnie), who died 13th March, 1886, in her 20th year.
To live in hearts we leave behind is not to die.
M. A. A.

BACK.—In loving memory of William Back, beloved husband of Annie Back, who died March 13, 1895. Tho' lost to sight, to memory dear.

BACK.—In loving memory of our dear father, who died at Hunter's Hill, March 13, 1895.

FARRELL.—In loving memory of Henry Charles Farrell, who departed this life March 13, 1895, at 65 Ultimo-road. Inserted by his sorrowing mother, sisters, and brothers.

JOHNSTON.—In loving memory of my dear mother, Martha Johnston, who died at Blue Mountain, Stanthorpe, Queensland, 13th March, 1895. Inserted by her only surviving son, James M. Johnston. Faultless before the Throne.

KENNEDY.—In loving memory of my dear sister, Jessie Kennedy, who departed this life 13th March, 1895. Dead, but not forgotten. Inserted by her loving sister, Catherine Mowlds.

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[illegible]	5545	A. B. Daniell	Mar. 14	Mar. 21	Mar. 25
Valetta	5016	W. Atkinson	Mar. 28	April 4	April 8
Himalaya	6898	A. W. Adamson	April 11	April 18	April 22
[illegible]	6670	E. Stewart	April 25	May 2	May 6
[illegible]	4874	P. Harris	May 11	May 16	May 20

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V. de la CIOTAT	Fiaslo	May 20	May 23	May 25
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		1896.	1896.	1896.
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Legal Notices.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—In Bankruptcy.—NOTICE is hereby given that the Single MEETING of Creditors in the following matters will be held at the Court, Chancery-square, Sydney, on the 2nd day of April, 1896, at 11 a.m., or as soon after as the course of business will permit. To entitle a Creditor to vote thereat his proof must be lodged with the Registrar in Bankruptcy not later than the 30th day of March, 1896:—Re HENRY M'CLURE (No. 10,520), of Mitchell-street, Glebe, Grocer; re THOMAS DAVID LONERGAN (No. 10,573), of Sussex-street, Sydney, Produce Merchant; re HARRIET MUSTON (No. 10,579), of Alleston, Port Stephens; re RICHARD BOULDEN (No. 10,634), of Short-street, Flemington, late Farmer; re ROBERT JOHN CATHER (No. 10,638), of No. 197 New South Head-road, Sydney, Plumber; re GEORGE GUESS (No. 10,642), of No. 10 Randle-street, city, Stonemason; re WILLIAM WALKER WOODLEY (No. 10,656), of No. 35 Gloucester-street, Sydney, Labourer; re JOHN FINEGAN (No. 10,657), of Addison and Neville streets, Marrickville, Agent; re ROBERT WATT THOMSON (No. 10,672), of No. 82 Forbes-street, Sydney, Retired Police Officer.—ARTHUR HENRY, Registrar in Bankruptcy. Mr. W. H. PALMER, Official Assignee. (1098)

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—In Bankruptcy.—NOTICE is hereby given that the Single MEETING of Creditors in the following matters will be held at the Court, Chancery-square, Sydney, on the 1st day of April, 1896, at 11 a.m., or as soon after as the course of business will permit. To entitle a creditor to vote thereat his proof must be lodged with the Registrar in Bankruptcy not later than the 28th day of March, 1896:—Re CLARA LEE (No. 10,474), of Pyrmont Bridge-road, Forest Lodge, Produce Dealer; re JAMES MELLY (No. 10,646), of No. 71 George-street West, Sydney, Bootmaker; re JOHN STEVENSON (No. 10,650), of Park-road, North Botany, Miller. ARTHUR HENRY, Registrar in Bankruptcy. Mr. N. F. GIBLIN, Official Assignee. (1098)

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—In Bankruptcy.—NOTICE is hereby given that the Single MEETING of Creditors in the following matters will be held at the Court, Chancery-square, Sydney, on the 31st day of March, 1896, at 11 a.m., or as soon after as the course of business will permit. To entitle a creditor to vote thereat his proof must be lodged with the Registrar in Bankruptcy not later than the 28th day of March, 1896:—Re SAMUEL PEARCE (No. 10,655), of No. 68 Market-street, Sydney, Licensed Victualler. Re GEORGE ANDERSON (No. 10,660), of Grafton-street, Waverley, Labourer. Re SARAH AMELIA ROBERTS (No. 10,670), of No. 52 Thompson-street, Darlinghurst, Boarding-house Keeper. ARTHUR HENRY, Registrar in Bankruptcy. Mr. L. T. LLOYD, Official Assignee. (1098)

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—In Bankruptcy.—No. 10,669.—Re CHARLES WILLIAM LAMBERT, trading as LAMBERT, CALLAN, and CO., of Bray-street, Cabarita, Concord, and Paling's-buildings, Sydney, Wholesale Stationers.—NOTICE is hereby given that that the First MEETING of Creditors in the above matter will be held at the Office of the Official Assignee, at No. 47 Elizabeth-street, Sydney, on the 1st day of April, 1896, at 3 p.m. To entitle a creditor to vote thereat his proof must be lodged with the Registrar in Bankruptcy not later than the 30th day of March, 1896. ARTHUR HENRY, Registrar in Bankruptcy. Mr. W. H. PALMER, Official Assignee. (1098)

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of ELIZABETH CONLON, late of Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, Spinster, deceased.—NOTICE is hereby given that the first Accounts and Plan of Distribution in the above Estate have this day been filed in my office, Chancery-square, Sydney, and all persons having any claim on the said Estate, or being otherwise interested therein, are hereby required to come in before me at my said office on or before the seventeenth day of April, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, and inspect the same, and, if they shall think fit, object thereto; otherwise, if the said accounts be not objected to, the same will be examined by me and passed according to law. And Notice is also hereby given that on the allowance of the said accounts by the Court commission will be applied for on behalf of JOHN DUDGEON, the Executor of the said Will. Dated this 12th day of March, in the year 1896. For the Registrar, R. C. MONDAY (L.S.), Deputy Registrar. HUGHES and HUGHES, Proctors for Executor, 26 Hunter-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will and Codicils of JOHN KENNEDY HOWE, late of Redbonnetterry, near Singleton, in the colony of New South Wales, Grazier, deceased. NOTICE is hereby given that the accounts in the above estate have this day been filed in my office, Chancery-square, Sydney, and all persons having any claim on the said estate, or being otherwise interested therein, are hereby required to come in before me at my said office on or before the twentieth day of April next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, and inspect the same, and, if they shall think fit, object thereto; otherwise, if the said accounts be not objected to, the same will be examined by me and passed according to law. And Notice is also hereby given that on the allowance of the said accounts by the Court, Commission will be applied for on behalf of the Executors of the said Will and Codicils. Dated this 12th day of March, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six. T. W. GARRETT (L.S.), Registrar. R. G. D. FITZGERALD, Proctor, Muswellbrook. Agent, W. H. PIGOTT, 28 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of WILLIAM HENRY CHISHOLM METCALFE, late of Manly, in the colony of New South Wales, Bank Manager, deceased. NOTICE is hereby given that the second accounts in the above estate have this date been filed in my office, Chancery-square, King-street, Sydney, and all persons having any claim on the said estate, or being otherwise interested therein, are hereby required to come in before me at my said office on or before the 17th day of April next, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, and inspect the same, and, if they shall think fit object thereto; otherwise, if the said accounts be not objected to, the same will be passed according to law. Dated this 12th day of March, A.D. 1896. R. C. MONDAY (L.S.), Deputy Registrar. AITKEN and AITKEN, Proctors for Executor, 44 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will and Codicil of SUSANNAH FAWKES, late of No. 79 Kent-street, Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, Married Woman, deceased. APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will and Codicil thereto of the above-named deceased may be granted to TIMOTHY O'SULLIVAN and JAMES MATTHEW BANKS, the surviving Executors in the said Will named. NORTON, SMITH, and CO., Proctors for the Executors, 2 O'Connell-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of ROBERT MUNRO, lately of Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, Cashier in the Department of Public Instruction, deceased.—APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will and Testament of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to GEORGE MUNRO, of York-street, Sydney, aforesaid, Merchant, and ANDREW WATSON MUNRO, of Liverpool-street, Sydney aforesaid, Surgeon, the Executors and Trustees in the said Will named. Dated this twelfth day of March, A.D. 1896. DIBBS and GIBSON, Proctors for the Applicants, 92 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of JAMES PATRICK M'INERNEY, late of Double Bay, Sydney, Publican, deceased, intestate.—APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration (de bonis non administratis) of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to JOHN JAMES M'INERNEY, of Balmain, near Sydney, Law Clerk, a Son of the said deceased. HENRY SIDNEY WILLIAMS, Proctor for the said Administrator, 39 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

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Meetings.

THE ANGLO-AUSTRALIAN INVESTMENT, FINANCE, and LAND COMPANY, Limited.
In Liquidation.
A General MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held on FRIDAY, March 27th, 1896, at 11 a.m., at the office of the Liquidators, No. 106 The Strand, George-street, Sydney.
Business:
To receive from the Liquidators an account showing their acts and dealings, and the manner in which the winding-up has been conducted during the year ended December 31st, 1895.
JOHN KENT
JAMES ROBERTSON } Liquidators.
F. T. HUMPHERY
106 The Strand, Sydney,
March 13, 1896.

NO. 30, PIONEER L.O.L. MEET TO-NIGHT St. Matthias Hall, Paddington. Visitors invited.

HIGHLAND SOCIETY (Burns Club) MEET THIS EVENING, Manchester Unity Hall, Castlereagh-street. LECTURE by one of Victoria's eminent men, the Rev. JOHN REID, M.A., "George M'Donald, Preacher, Poet, Historian."
RICH. DOYLE, Hon. Secretary.

BALMAIN STEAM FERRY COMPANY, LTD.,
In Liquidation.
NOTICE is hereby given that a General MEETING of the Shareholders of this Company will be held at the Exchange, Bridge-street, Sydney, on FRIDAY, the 20th instant, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.
Business:
To receive Progress Report of the Liquidators.
By order of the Liquidators,
WILLIAM H. M'LEAN,
Secretary.
Sydney, 6th March, 1896.

Calls and Dividends on Shares.

THE FORTUNE OF WAR GOLD-MINING COMPANY, No Liability.—NOTICE is hereby given that the SALE of SHARES in the abovenamed Company forfeited for the non-payment of the Tenth Call of Sixpence per share advertised to take place in the Vestibule of the Stock Exchange of Melbourne, Collins-street, Melbourne, on SATURDAY, the 7th March, 1896, at 12.15 p.m., is POSTPONED, and will be held on SATURDAY, the 21st day of March, 1896, at the same time and place.
W. J. GORRIE,
Manager.
March 7, 1896.

WEST SUNLIGHT REEF COMPANY, No Liability, Hillgrove, New South Wales.
All SHARES forfeited for non-payment of the 13th Call of Threepence per share will be sold by public auction by Messrs. GEMMELL, TUCKETT, and CO., at their Rooms, 359 Collins-street, Melbourne, upon SATURDAY, the 21st day of March, 1896, at 12 o'clock noon, unless previously redeemed.
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NOTICE OF DIVIDEND.

NOTICE is hereby given that a DIVIDEND (the Fourth) of Two Shillings per Share has been declared, and will be payable at the Registered Offices of the Company on and after TUESDAY, the 24th day of March, 1896.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will CLOSE on the 16th March for the purposes of the Dividend.
No deduction for Income Tax will be made.
ARTHUR BRISTOWE,
Adelaide Secretary.
1 and 3 Cowra-chambers, Adelaide,
12th March, 1896.

Municipal Elections.

FIRE BRIGADES ACT, 1884.
NOMINATIONS for a REPRESENTATIVE of the MUNICIPAL COUNCILS under Schedule A to be sent to the Returning Officer, Mr. W. Solomans, c.o. Gordon and Gotch, 123 Pitt-street, before noon THIS DAY.
WILLIAM SOLOMANS,
Returning Officer.
March 9, 1896.

Municipal Council Notices.

BOROUGH OF PADDINGTON.
NOTICE is hereby given, that in accordance with section 164 of the Municipalities Act of 1867, an ASSESSMENT has been made of the ratable property within this borough, and that upon such assessment a Rate of One Shilling in the Pound has been levied by the Council of the said borough; also, that a Special Rate of Threepence in the Pound has been levied in accordance with the Municipalities Acts of 1867 and 1873, for maintaining the public gas lights within the said borough.
The books containing such assessment are open for inspection to all persons interested therein during office hours.
A Court of Petty Sessions will be holden at the Police Court, Paddington, on TUESDAY, 31st March, at 11 o'clock a.m., for hearing any appeals against such assessment.
Notice of appeal must be in writing, and lodged with the undersigned seven days before the holding of the said Court.
A. VIALOUX,
Council Clerk.
Town Hall, 12th March, 1896.

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LOST, Gold BROOCH, between William and Hunter sts., initial on. Reward, 94 St. John's-rd., F. Lodge.

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Religious Announcements.

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THIS DAY.
Representative Session at 6.30 p.m.
Business: To Read and Sign the Journal.

THE CHURCH SOCIETY.
A MEETING of CLERGY, CHURCHWARDENS, and OTHER FRIENDS will be held THIS DAY, at 4 p.m., in the Chapter House, to make preliminary arrangements for the DIOCESAN FESTIVAL.
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Randwick Asylum,
March 12, 1896.

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IN THE ASSIGNED ESTATE OF CHARLES ROGERS,
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GOULBURN.
All persons having CLAIMS against the above Estate are requested to furnish particulars thereof to the undersigned on or before THURSDAY, the 2nd APRIL prox. otherwise they will not be recognised.
JAMES ROBERTSON and CO.,
Incorporated Accountants,
Agents for the Trustees.
Central-chambers, 173 Pitt-street,
Sydney, 12th March, 1896.

IN THE ASSIGNED ESTATE OF J. H. CREWES, Boot Dealer, of Regent-street, Sydney.
All CLAIMS in the above Estate must be rendered in duplicate to G. C. TAYLOR and SON, Garden-street, Alexandria, on or before WEDNESDAY, 18th instant, otherwise they will not be acknowledged.
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LAND AND INCOME TAX ASSESSMENT ACT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.
Sir,—The *Herald* of to-day contains the following paragraph relating to the liability of a mortgagee in possession under the Land and Income Tax Assessment Act:—
"Land and Income Tax.—In reference to the land and income taxes, a correspondent writes as follows:—'Would you kindly tell me if a mortgagee in possession has to pay the land tax, or has he to pay income tax on his mortgage, although the property mortgaged may not be worth one-fourth of the mortgage debt. And Judge: In reply to this, Mr. Spiller says the mortgagee has to pay income tax on the interest from the mortgage, which he will have already deducted from his land tax."
The answer given by Mr. Spiller to the question asked by your correspondent is so absolutely at variance with the provisions of the Act in regard to mortgagees in possession that I trust I may be allowed to direct the attention of persons in that position to the sections of the Act under which their liability to taxation arises. Section 10 of the Act, after stating that land tax is to be paid by every owner of land in respect of all land of which he is such owner for every pound of the unimproved value thereof, after deducting the sum of £240, goes on to provide for the case of lands subject to mortgage in the following terms:—"Provided, with regard to any such lands as are subject to any mortgage (except where the mortgagee is owner within the meaning of the Act), there shall be deducted each year from the tax upon such unimproved value a sum equal in amount to the income tax leviable for that year upon the interest derivable from the whole mortgage of the land, including improvements thereon; and this annual deduction shall not be diminished by reason of any exemptions or deductions from payment of income tax provided for in sections [illegible], and [illegible]. Provided also that no such deduction from land tax shall be deemed to extend beyond the amount of land tax due for each year upon the land included in such mortgage."
Section 68 defines "owner" thus:—"'Owner' includes every person who jointly or severally, whether at law or in equity—(1) is entitled to receive, or in actual receipt, or, if the land were let to a tenant would be entitled to receive, the rents and profits thereof, whether as beneficial owner, trustee, mortgagee in possession, or otherwise."
A mortgagee in possession, therefore, is an "owner" within the meaning of the Act, and is outside the proviso to section 10, quoted above. Being an "owner," he consequently pays land tax on the unimproved value on the 31st December, 1895, of the land comprised in the mortgage. Being in possession, and in receipt of the rents and profits, his income, consisting of such rents and profits, is exempt from income tax under the seventh sub-section of section 17, as such rents and profits are, in the words of that sub-section, "income derived from the ownership of land subject to land tax."
It may be also pointed out that the deduction mentioned in the proviso to section 10 is made by the mortgagor, not by the mortgagee. The answer given by Mr. Spiller is incorrect, even if it was meant to apply to mortgaged lands where possession has not been taken by the mortgagee. In that case the mortgagor, being the "owner," pays land tax, making the deductions allowed by the proviso to section 10 of the Act; and the mortgagee pays income tax on the interest received under the mortgage, and is not concerned in any way with the land tax.
The above remarks are made in reference to mortgages of freeholds. The position of mortgagors and mortgagees of leaseholds or of freehold and leasehold land comprised in the same mortgage, is "another story."
I am, &c.,
F. H. SALUSBURY.
Wentworth-court, March 5.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.
Sir,—A curious incidence of the Land and Income Tax Assessment Act is the possibility that under its provisions many persons in receipt of large incomes will escape taxation. This defect in the law is to be deplored, particularly in view of the fact that very many others, badly able to bear the burden, are not exempt. With your permission I will illustrate my meaning by an example. Suppose, for instance, that A is the owner in fee simple of a portion of land which he had leased to B for a 99 years' term at a nominal ground rental, as is often the case, and B improved this land by the erection of, say, 50 houses from which he receives an income of £3000 a year. Under the law as it now stands B pays no tax on this large income, because it is derived from land, and he pays no tax on the land because he is not the owner. Under the law in the other colonies I believe this anomaly does not exist. For the sake of uniform justice to all, would it not be well to amend the Act in this particular?
I am, &c.,
JAMES CARROLL.
March 8.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.
Sir,—I notice with satisfaction that already correspondents are expressing their ideas in reference to the land and income tax papers which are now being issued to us for filling in.
Like your correspondent "Anxious," who wrote in yesterday's issue of your valuable paper, I would suggest that the Commissioners have the sheets duly filled up on all the lines in the different papers, using assumed names and amounts. This could be very easily executed by some process of reproduction. The Commissioners could then issue these sample copies with the blank sheets, at the same time charging, say, 1d for them.
This scheme, I venture to think, would yield a handsome income in addition to paying for the cost of reproduction, and would come as a blessing to hundreds who are helplessly endeavouring to fathom the mysteries of the tax-sheets in order to have them correctly compiled.
I am, &c.,
WILL H. GREEN.
March 5.

THE CITY ORGANIST'S LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.
Sir,—The remarks of your correspondent "Harmony" in to-day's *Herald*, commenting on the proposal of M. Wiegand for a deputy during his five months' leave of absence will no doubt in many points be heartily endorsed by most of our local organists. In the first place, while admitting the great ability of the eminent organist, why should it be necessary to import another organist at all, and why should our local organists be again passed over and slighted when we have around us such first-class men as Lardelli, Sykes, Truman, and Wale (of Sydney), Benson (of Brisbane), Sharp (of New Zealand, late Sydney), Woods (of Melbourne), without mentioning any others? Secondly, it seems evident that the competition suggested is solely intended to debar the local talent from putting a hand on the Town Hall organ, for certainly not one of the abovenamed, who are all men of reputation and standing, would submit to or compete in such a humiliating and unnecessary ordeal as that proposed by M. Wiegand.
There is one exception which might, however, be taken to "Harmony's" views, and that is his reference to "a dozen or more" resident organists. Now, there are probably not "a dozen or more" competent concert organists resident here, unless, indeed, your correspondent reckons some few ambitious amateurs who possess a scanty repertoire of 16 or 20 organ solos, which they persistently hawk about from place to place and torch up under the guise of "organ recitals" or some other preferred with "grand." Such organists would, of course, need to be guarded against.
My suggestion is that the City Council invite such men as are mentioned above to give a series of recitals on the organ—say, a fortnight or three weeks each—and there will be [illegible] a pleasant organist the change and [illegible] this revenue would [illegible] 50 per cent. on the present [illegible].
A similar plan has been followed at St. George's Hall, Liverpool, since W. T. Best's retirement with great success.
I am, &c.,
GAMBA.
March 8.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.
Sir,—I am in accord with many of the opinions offered by "Harmony" in your journal of this day's date in his reference to the leave of absence to be granted to the City organist. I was very much struck with the incongruous propositions put forward for the appointment of an acting organist. None but individuals extraordinarily thick-skinned could construe the suggestions as other than provoking. What organist of any note, in the possession of any degree of self-respect, would enter the lists as a competitor? Who are to be set up as judges? It would be the height of unwisdom to select laymen to adjudicate; the necessary qualifications would not be in evidence. Musical experts are rarely competent to decide on such critical occasions. Too much superabundant sensitiveness, combined with an ill-tinctive tendency to depreciate the efforts of others, would more than counterbalance the value of services rendered. What, then, is the best course to pursue? As the appointment is of a temporary character, it would argue an unnecessary lack of resource if foreign aid was enlisted. The most effective solution would be in advertising for a [illegible], the qualifications of applicants, as per written trials, past and present achievements, and similar data. There need be no appeal to local musicians.
As for the scheme suggested by "Harmony," of permitting a variety of organists to display their talents on the Town Hall organ, I submit the thing through the diversity of [illegible] which will surely be devised by friends, and partisans for the success of their respective candidates, the really competent and unassuming organists will be lost out in the cold, and the more obtrusive and unimaginable gentlemen would be brought forward to serve irregular ends, and to offend the ears of the more refined section of the community.
I am, &c.,
L. T. [illegible]ENANDER.
March 6.

NORTH SYDNEY HORSE FERRY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.
Sir,—The liberality of the North Shore Ferry Company in nominally reducing the horse ferry charges, but actually increasing them, will not be agreeable to the travelling public. At the present time the charge for a sulky crossing, say with driver, his wife and child, is 1s return; new charge will be 1d each way for sulky, horse, and driver, and 2d each way for wife and child, making the charge for return journey 10d. With a four-seated buggy present charge is 2d return; new charge 6d each way for buggy, horse, and driver, and 2d each way for the sitters, making the new charge 1s 6d. With this increase of charge the desire on the part of some residents and city people to get another service will not be appeased.
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LAW REPORT.

SUPREME COURT.—THURSDAY, MARCH 12.

No. 1 Jury Court.—(Before the Chief Justice and a jury of four.)

KENWOOD AND ANOTHER V. HOSKINGS (PART HEARD).

Mr. E. Barton, Q.C., Mr. Shaw, and Mr. Kelynack, instructed by Mr. Henry White (of Messrs. White and Wolstenholme), appeared for the plaintiffs; and Dr. Sly and Mr. Bruce Smith, instructed by Messrs. Sly and Russell, for the defendant. This was an action brought by William Kenwood and Harry Wood Kerle, architects and engineers, against William Henry Hoskings, to recover the sum of £993 2s 6d, alleged to be due by the defendant for professional services rendered in connection with a projected line of railway for the Silkstone Coal-mining Syndicate.

The jury returned a verdict for the plaintiffs for £674 1s.

COLLINS V. ANDERSON.

Mr. Gannon and Mr. Pickburn, instructed by Mr. S. J. Bull, appeared for the plaintiff. There was no appearance on behalf of the defendant. This was an action brought by William John Collins against Sydney Charles Anderson, proprietor and publisher of the *Campbelltown Herald*, to recover damages for libel. According to the plaintiff's case it appeared that in July, 1895, during the general election, Messrs. J. Kidd and C. Bull were candidates for the electorate of Camden, and a meeting of the supporters of the former gentleman was held at Ingleburn, where plaintiff was a storekeeper, and also held at the time the position of postmaster at the town. He attended the meeting, and in the course of one of the speeches someone in the body of the hall asked whether it was right that old members should travel on their railway passes while other candidates paid their way, and plaintiff said that "there were a great many near and dear friends of old members who travelled on the nod." On the 22nd July defendant published in his newspaper an article accusing plaintiff of having stated at the meeting "that Mr. Kidd lent his railway pass to his friends to travel upon gratis." The article was headed "Still Slandering," and after making the above accusation the article stigmatised plaintiff as being "a lying slanderer, and a man unworthy of any honourable position," and further on that plaintiff was "unworthy of recognition by honourable men." As plaintiff had not used the words attributed to him he wrote to the newspaper demanding an apology, but on the 7th August defendant published another statement declining to apologise, and to some extent reiterating the charge. Plaintiff now positively denied that he made any charge against Mr. Kidd, and said that when he subsequently saw defendant and asked him why he had made such a charge against a man who was a stranger to him, defendant replied that he would not have done it, but Mr. Kidd told him to do it. He added that if the plaintiff took any notice of it, he (defendant) would only be the nominal defendant. Plaintiff then asked him if he could give him an assurance that that was so, and he said that he could not. S. J. Bull, attorney for the plaintiff, stated that when he saw defendant about the article, he said it would never have been inserted but that Mr. Kidd told him to publish it, and saw the manuscript. He also said that Mr. Kidd was to pay his costs, but had thrown him over. Damages were laid at £1000.

The jury returned a verdict for the plaintiff with damages £300.

KEITH V. M'EDWARDS AND ANOTHER.

Dr. Sly, instructed by Messrs. Sly and Russell, appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Barton, Q.C., and Mr. Delohery, instructed by Messrs. Johnson, Minter, Simpson, and Co., for defendants. This was an action brought by L. Keith against Alexander M'Edwards and Duncan M'Gregor to recover the sum of £3101 4s 6d, amount alleged to be due to plaintiff on a contract for sinking six artesian bores for the defendants on the Durham Downs station, 300 miles to the north-west of Bourke. Plaintiff's case was that in 1892 he entered into a contract with defendants to sink the bores in question on the station for the purpose of obtaining water, and that he proceeded with the work, but after some time defendants refused to continue finding wood and water for the engine, and plaintiff was unable to complete the contract, and now sued for the breach. Defendants, on the other hand, stated that there was no provision in the written agreement that they should supply the wood and water, but upon this point plaintiff asserted that the undertaking was given to him verbally and as forming part of the contract. The defendants denied, and they also stated that plaintiff broke his contract by not proceeding with the work in a manner satisfactory to their manager, who thereupon cancelled the contract.

The case stands part heard.

No. 2 Jury Court.—(Before Mr. Justice Stephen and a jury of four.)

REID V. HOFFNUNG AND ANOTHER (PART HEARD).

Mr. Ralston, instructed by Mr. H. D. Crossman, appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Edmunds and Mr. Ferguson, instructed by Messrs. Perkins and Williams, for the defendants. This was an action brought by Edwin Denis Reid against Abraham Hoffnung and Benjamin F. Marks, trading as S. Hoffnung and Co., to recover £150 compensation from the defendants for having falsely and maliciously stated that plaintiff's vessel was mortgaged. A statement of the plaintiff's case has already been given. The defendants denied that they had made the statement referred to.

His Honor having summed up, the jury, after half an hour's consultation, returned a verdict for defendants, and found specially that the words complained of were not spoken by defendants.

ELLIS V. SWEETMAN.

Dr. Brissenden appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. Gannon for the defendant. This was an action for ejectment to recover possession of premises at No. 16 George-street, Macdonaldtown. By consent a verdict was returned for the plaintiff.

PALMER V. FINDLAY.

There being no appearance in this case it was struck out.

ROSE V. GRANT.

Mr. G. M. L. Innes, instructed by Mr. W. P. Crick, appeared for the plaintiff. There was no appearance on behalf of the defendant. This was an action brought by Georgina May Rose against Daniel James Grant, to recover damages for breach of promise of marriage. Plaintiff's case was that early in 1894 she became engaged to the defendant, who was a carter employed in a cordial manufactory, and in receipt of £2 10s per week and commission. She had known him for about two years previously, and at the time of the engagement she kept a fruit and confectionery shop at Newtown, out of which she derived a profit of 15s or £1 per week. As, however, defendant objected to his fiancee keeping a shop, he asked her to give up the business, and he would pay for her board and lodging wherever she liked to go. She accordingly abandoned trade and went to live with her sister. The marriage was fixed for the month of January. Plaintiff, to the knowledge of defendant, began to prepare her trousseau. On the Sunday after Christmas Day of 1895 defendant called upon plaintiff and arranged to take her out for a drive on New Year's Day. New Year's Day arrived, but defendant did not, and, though plaintiff wrote to him asking for an explanation, he vouchsafed no answer, and her endeavours to see him proved fruitless. She complained that defendant's desertion had caused her a considerable amount of mental trouble and distress, besides which she had lost the profits of the business, which she relinquished at defendant's request. Counsel under these circumstances said that defendant had been called to that Court to justify his conduct, if he could, or to show that the match was broken off through any fault of the plaintiff's, but he had not appeared, or attempted to do so. Plaintiff, therefore, asked for substantial, though not vindictive, damages, in order to show defendant that if he was so high and mighty as not to care to marry a girl who kept a shop he must keep his promise or take the consequences. Damages were laid at £1000.

The jury returned a verdict for the plaintiff, with damages £100.

KIMBER V. BROUGHTON.

Mr. Gannon and Mr. Noble, instructed by Mr. G. C. Murdoch, appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Wise and Mr. Hunt, instructed by Mr. Trevor Jones, for the defendant. This was an issue under the Real Property Act to decide the ownership of about two acres of land situated on the Botany-road near Robey-street, Botany, the plaintiff, Walter Kimber, claiming by undisputed possession for 20 years and upwards as against defendant's documentary title. Mr. Gannon, in explaining the case for the plaintiff, said that prior to February, 1871, the land in dispute was held by a man named Thomas Walker, and it was then merely a swampy piece of land of very little value. Walker being desirous of entering into business as a hawker, agreed to give up possession of the land to Kimber in return for several horses and a cart, and on the 13th February, 1871, the agreement was carried out, and Kimber entered into possession of the property, and shortly afterwards erected a substantial fence around it. He remained in undisturbed possession until April, 1893, and during his occupancy he erected buildings upon the land. He might mention that the case was tried some time ago, when the plaintiff secured a verdict. On that occasion a document dated 13th February, 1871, purporting to be a transfer by Walker to Kimber, was produced, and the defendant obtained a new trial on the ground that he was taken by surprise in the production of the document. That document was now alleged to be a forgery, because though it purported on the face of it to have been given by Walker in 1871, the paper bore a watermark showing that it was manufactured in 1886. Plaintiff asserted that he was perfectly innocent in the matter, and though he had made every attempt to find Walker he had not succeeded, and believed him to be dead. Apart, however, from the document, which at one time had been out of plaintiff's possession for several months, Kimber claimed the land by reason of 20 years' undisputed occupancy.

The case stands part heard.

No. 3 Jury Court.—(Before his Honor Mr. Justice Cohen and a jury of four.)

M'BURNEY V. LANE AND ANOTHER (PART HEARD).

Mr. James and Mr. Mack, instructed by Mr. Vero Read, appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Gannon and Mr. Ferguson, instructed by Mr. G. C. Murdoch, for the defendants. This was an action brought by Charles Moore M'Burney, a lad of 13 (by Nicholas M'Burney, his next friend), against Alice Frances Lane and George Thomas Richards, executrix and executor respectively of the estate of Edward Lane, deceased, to recover £500 as compensation for injury sustained by the plaintiff in consequence of a dog, the property of deceased, having bitten him. Defendants paid £20 into court as sufficient to satisfy the claim of the plaintiff.

Further evidence was given and the case still stands part heard.

In Equity.—(Before his Honor Mr. Justice Owen.)

DIXON V. THE BANK OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

Mr. Gordon and Mr. Knox, instructed by Messrs. Fisher and Macansh, appeared for the plaintiff, Joseph William Dixon; and Mr. Simpson and Mr. Langer Owen, instructed by Messrs. Allen, Allen, and Hemsley, for the defendant bank.

This was a suit brought by the plaintiff, as trustee (with another) for the will of the late Andrew Hinchcliff, wool-broker, of Sydney, to recover from the Bank of New South Wales three sums of money—viz., £10,000, £5000, and £565 15s 4d, with interest from the 6th June, 1884.

The arguments of counsel took up the whole of the day, and at the conclusion his Honor announced that he would give judgment to-day.

Probate Jurisdiction.—(Before the Registrar.)

The following were granted probate:—Lawrence Nolan, John Mercer, David Ware, James Moffatt, Timothy Thornton, Jane Hill, George Evans, Daniel Campbell Macdougall, Arthur Sidney Ollif, Mary Ann Simmonds, Joseph Charles Pepper, Alfred Wilkes, Elizabeth Voller, Charles Augustus Smith, Joseph Maguire, William Healey Crossley, William Taylor, Thomas Beary, George Boyd.

Administrations.—Robert James Miller, Michael Keane, Thomas Norton, Jane Christian Pringle, James Grogan, Thomas Heydon, John Neill, Marion Hall, Eliza Brown, Frederick William Wilce, John Robert Manthie, James Augustus Connelly, Annie Chamier, James Fincham, Don Ferdinand O'Connor.

In Probate.—(Before Mr. Justice Owen.)

PROBATES.

Probate of the following wills were granted:—Joseph Washington Flood, Samuel Arnold, William Austell Leech, William Drew, H. T. Brown Foote, Joseph Schmiddt, Martin Treacey, John Frost, James Noakes, Charlotte Harriet Jacobs, Richard Ewens, William Turnbull, Joseph Gregory, James Pepper, Benjamin A. Newell, Denis Meagher, Timothy Starr, Daniel Cleary, William Hunter, Nicles Peter Nielson.

ADMINISTRATIONS.

Letters of administration were granted in the following estates:—David Horn, Michael Coffey, Peter Rae, Michael Connolly, Edward Lees, Victor Tarrad, Frances E. Purchas, Emma Louisa Watkins.

INTESTATE ESTATES.—Orders of Court to collect have been granted the Curator of Intestate Estates since the 27th ultimo in the estates mentioned hereunder:—Denis M'Ginley, of Ballina; Thomas Bennley, or Benney, of Eremeran station; John Chalmers, of Eungonia; Henry Hoffeld, of Eungonia; John Conley, of Yanda, near Cobar; Thomas Sheehan, of Mount Gipps station; John Devlin, of Erskine-street, city; James Sproule, of Menindie; H. J. M'Cormack, of Albury; Eliza Conley, of Yanda, near Cobar.

In Divorce.—(Before his Honor Mr. Justice Simpson.)

M'MANUS V. M'MANUS.

Mr. Arnott appeared for the petitioner, Marie Amelia M'Manus, formerly of the Golden Grove, who sought to obtain a dissolution of her marriage with Edward M'Manus, cabinet maker, on the ground of desertion. The parties were married in New Zealand in October, 1882, and there was no surviving issue. The respondent, who appeared in person, denied the desertion, and also denied that he had been domiciled in New South Wales for three years and upwards. After the petitioner had given her evidence Mr. Arnott, on the petitioner's behalf, withdrew the petition, stating that on the evidence he could not prove that the petitioner had been domiciled in New South Wales for the necessary period. During her examination the petitioner was in a very nervous condition, and on leaving the witness-box she fainted.

LEWIS V. LEWIS.

Mr. Campbell appeared for the petitioner, and Mr. Quinlan for the respondent. The petitioner, William Henry Lewis, carpenter, of Richmond, sought to obtain the dissolution of his marriage with Marie Christina Lewis on the ground of her adultery with John Lewis. The parties were married on 17th July, 1889, and the adultery was alleged to have been committed on 26th October last. The petitioner swore that on the date in question he returned home unexpectedly, and, looking through the window of the bedroom, saw the alleged offence. It was stated by other witnesses that the co-respondent had admitted the offence, but he was not in attendance at the court. The respondent went into the box and denied that she had ever committed such an offence. She also denied the details which her husband had sworn to.

The case stands part heard.

(In Bankruptcy.—Before the Registrar, Mr. Arthur Henry.)

CERTIFICATE APPLICATIONS.

Re James Thomas Compton. There was no appearance of the bankrupt, and the application was struck out, and an order made for a special meeting.

Re Albert William Hosking. In this matter a certificate was ordered to issue.

Re Ambros Thornley, junr. A certificate was ordered to issue in this matter.

Re Thomas Gervin Kelly. This matter was adjourned till 9th April.

Re Joseph Pigott Tyler. This matter was adjourned till 2nd April.

Re Thomas Coggan. This matter was adjourned to the 26th instant to enable bankrupt to furnish further particulars.

Re John Alfred Heaven. After the official assignee's report and the bankrupt's answering affidavit had been read, the Registrar said that proper books did not appear to have been kept. However, the bankruptcy appeared to have been the result of misfortune, and he would, therefore, only order a nominal suspension of the certificate for one day.

MOTION FOR RELEASE.

Re Albert William Hosking. In this matter an order was made for the release of the estate and the property vested in the bankrupt.

SINGLE MEETINGS.

Re John L. M'Kay. On the application of the official assignee this matter was adjourned to 2nd April, as the bankrupt did not appear.

Re Ann Gorman. The bankrupt, who had been in the dairying business, ascribed her failure to sickness, caused by a dog bite. She brought an action against the owner of the dog, and recovered £200. This sum was garnisheed. The examination closed.

Re Charley Sam How. This matter was adjourned to the 26th instant, owing to the non-appearance of the bankrupt.

Re James M'Ateer. This matter was ordered to stand over to the 26th instant, owing to the non-appearance of the bankrupt.

Re Gilbert Weaver. In this matter the examination was ordered to close.

Re Abram Woodhead. This matter was adjourned to the 26th instant.

Re Walter James Beaumont. Bankrupt ascribed his failure to his wife obtaining a divorce against him and his inability to pay the costs. His wife was his only creditor. The examination was adjourned to the 26th instant.

Re James Fulger Montgomery. On the application of the official assignee the matter was adjourned to the 9th April, and the bankrupt ordered to file two years' accounts by the 26th instant.

Re Bridget Hunt. Bankrupt failed to appear, and on the application of the official assignee the matter was adjourned sine die.

Re James Anderson. Bankrupt ascribed his failure to being unable to pay calls on certain shares which he held. The examination closed.

Re George Sturla. This matter was adjourned to the 19th instant, as the bankrupt failed to appear.

PUBLIC EXAMINATIONS.

Re John Joseph Rochester. This matter was adjourned to the 2nd April, and on the application of the official assignee an order was made for two years' accounts to be filed by the 23rd instant.

Re the estate of Henry Weingarth, deceased. In this matter an examination was held under section 30, and adjourned to the 18th instant.

VOLUNTARY SEQUESTRATIONS.

Charles Hodgson, Coraki, carpenter. N. F. Giblin, official assignee.

Thomas James O'Brien, Tringle Scrub, near Boggabri, timber cutter. W. H. Palmer, official assignee.

Laurence Sharkey, Leichhardt, grocer and produce merchant. W. H. Palmer, official assignee.

William Stuart Lecky and Alfred John Morton, trading as Lecky, Morton, and Co., of Pitt-street. L. T. Lloyd, official assignee.

John Alexander Mitchell, the younger, Balmain, blacksmith's improver. N. F. Giblin, official assignee.

METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COURT.

THURSDAY.

(Before his Honor Judge Murray).

MOFFAT V. EVANS.

Mr. Gannon and Mr. Pickburn, instructed by Mr. E. Trevor Jones, appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. G. H. Reid and Mr. Mason, instructed by Mr. E. G. Maddocks Cohen, appeared for the defendant. This was a part-heard case, which had been brought by Howard Ignatius Moffat, of Sydney, journalist, against Daniel Falkiner Evans, of Sydney, company manager, for the recovery of £200 damages for alleged slander.

His Honor gave a verdict for the defendant, with costs of eight witnesses for two days and two witnesses for one day, with counsel's fee 10 guineas, and attorney's fee 4 guineas.

ROBERTSON V. LENTHALL.

The plaintiff in this case was A. C. Robertson, painter, of Stanley-street, Woolloomooloo, and he claimed £14 1s from W. E. Lenthall, builder, of Carlton-street, Kensington, for work and labour done. There was a cross-action claiming £20 from the plaintiff for the non-performance of his agreement, it being contended that he had not carried out the work properly. The matter had been referred to Mr. W. M. Palmer for arbitration. His award of £12 to the plaintiff came before the Court, and was made an order of the Court, the plaintiff being awarded costs.

QUARTER SESSIONS.—THURSDAY.

(Before his Honor Acting Judge Rogers and a jury of 12.)

Mr. Merewether and Mr. Blackett prosecuted on behalf of the Crown.

THE DAILY POST CASES.—ALLEGED CONSPIRACY.

The hearing of the charge against Samuel Smith, Edward Ellis, William Arthur Holman, William Wooldridge, Patrick Brassil, William Purves Gowans, Thomas Routley, and John Love of having conspired together to defraud Walter Hislop and Agnes Hislop of divers large sums of money was resumed.

Further evidence was taken on behalf of the defendants, the object of which apparently was to show that there was no difference between the position of the prosecuting witness, Hislop, and that of the defendants in regard to the *Daily Post*, as they had all lost both time and money because of the venture proving unsuccessful. As one of the defendants put it, the case was one of persons who were really companions in adversity falling out among themselves.

The case still stands part heard.

LAND APPEAL COURT.—THURSDAY.

(Before Mr. Oliver, President, and Messrs. Freeman and Brandis, Commissioners.)

RE A. W. CARSTAIRS.

This case, which was an appeal against the disallowance by the Coonamble local land board of a conditional lease application, was withdrawn.

RE J. H. PERROTTET.

This was an appeal against the decision of the Warren local land board in respect of J. H. Perrottet's complaint lodged against James Bryans' conditional purchase, No. 93-36. Mr. W. B. Wilkinson, land agent, of Dubbo, appeared for the appellant, J. H. Perrottet; Mr. Pike, instructed by Mr. Way (for Mr. Lovett, of Warren), appeared for the respondent.

Mr. G. H. Simpson intimated that he appeared to watch the case on behalf of the Minister for Lands.

Mr. Pike took the preliminary objection that the Minister had no right to be represented in the case, but it was overruled by the Court, which held that Mr. Simpson could appear as a "watcher," and that if he desired to take any more active part in the proceedings, argument, or any objection raised, would be heard.

It appeared that James Bryans was the selector of 140 acres C.P. on Mullengudgery Run, and a C.L. of 420 acres taken up on 18th May, 1893, and confirmed 28th February, 1895. On 7th January, 1896, John Henry Perrottet lodged a complaint against Bryans that he had obtained his land in violation of statutory provisions. The board, by a majority, dismissed the complaint with costs. Perrottet was an applicant for a settlement lease of land adjoining Bryans' selections, and Bryans had also lodged an application for an A.C.P. of part of the land which was comprised in Perrottet's application, but his A.C.P. was of prior date to Perrottet's S.L.

Mr. Pike raised the objection that the appellant having no interest in the land, had no right to lodge a complaint against Bryans' title.

Mr. Wilkinson contended that the appellant was an interested party, inasmuch that the land he had applied for was part of respondent's series. Respondent, by virtue of this basal selection, had also applied for the same land.

Mr. Pike argued that appellant in attacking the application was attacking a component part of the title. He desired to defeat the title in order that respondent should be barred from obtaining his A.C.P. The only interest the appellant had in the land was that if he succeeded he could take up his S.L., because the respondent's basal right to the A.C.P. would be gone. Therefore Perrottet's only interest was in getting the land forfeited.

The Court reserved its decision.

RE THE COMMERCIAL BANKING COMPANY OF SYDNEY, LIMITED.

This was an appeal against the disallowance of a conditional purchase and conditional lease applications Nos. 95-23 and 95-25 by the Warren Local Land Board. Mr. W. B. Wilkinson appeared for the appellant, and Mr. G. H. Simpson, instructed by the Crown law officers, appeared for the Minister in support of the decision of the board. He explained that this was an application for an additional conditional purchase made by the original purchaser, and the original purchase was held under mortgage by the Commercial Bank. The purchaser when he made the application had the sanction of the manager, but it was not under seal, and the board found that the manager's consent was not given under seal, and in the absence of any evidence that the manager had the authority to give consent disallowed the application. After hearing argument the Court ordered the case to be sent back to the local land board with a direction that they had power under section 14 of the Land Act of 1889 to correct the omission in the application by receiving the authority under seal on behalf of the bank to make the application in the form prescribed by law. The appeal was sustained.

RE ELIZABETH TAILBY.

This was an appeal against the appraised annual rental by the Rylstone Land Board of appellant's conditional lease No. 95-3. Mr. G. H. Simpson appeared for the Minister for Lands, but there was no appearance on behalf of the appellant. The board had fixed the rent at 3½d per acre, and the grounds of appeal were that this was excessive, as the land was inferior for grazing and void of capabilities for agriculture, waterless, and more or less covered with dense scrub, and on account of its steepness the conservation of water was almost impossible. Appellant considered 2d an acre the outside value of her lease.

The Court reserved its decision.

RE ROBERT ELLIOTT.

This was a reference from the Minister for Lands for the return of the matter of Robert Elliott's conditional lease No. 95-27, Warialda, to the local land board. Mr. G. H. Simpson, who appeared for the Minister for Lands, asked that the case should be returned for a rehearing. There was no appearance of respondent, and the Court made an order accordingly.

The Court then adjourned.

LAW NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT.—FRIDAY, MARCH 13.

New Court, St. James'-road, Sydney.—Keith v. M'Edwards and another (part heard); Ostergard v. Akeonst, Oliver v. Maine, Lowe v. Campbell, Commercial Banking Company of Sydney, Limited, v. Alexander.

No 1 Jury Court.—Kimber v. Broughton (part heard).

No. 2 Jury Court.—M'Burney v. Lane and another (part heard); Crichton v. Hill, Mitchell v. Vaughan, M'Donald v. Vine, Howard v. Rose.

Chamber List.—At 9.30 a.m.: In re gent., one, &c., ex parte Walton, to deliver bill of costs (part heard); Lawrence v. Crane the younger, to examine judgment debtor; Hodge v. the Union Mortgage and Agency Company, Limited, to review taxation; Bowman v. the Commercial Bank of Australia, Limited, to amend pleadings; Denham and another v. Craig, to examine judgment debtor; White v. Samuel, M'Carron, Stewart, and others garnishees; ex parte Weaver and Hale, gents., &c., in re E. M. Fox, for taxation; Mansfield v. Welburn, to set aside writ, &c.; M'Donald v. Edmondson, for order to examine judgment debtor; Attorney-General v. Love, for leave to appeal to the Privy Council; Municipal District of Rockdale v. Knight, for inspection; Mitchell v. Spencer, for order to examine judgment debtor.

In Equity.—Before his Honor the Chief Judge.—At 11 a.m.: Motions generally—Australasian Incandescent Gaslight Company v. Turner, motion to continue injunction; Proudfoot v. Smyth and another, motion to continue injunction; Eilenberg v. Weingott, motion for security for costs; re Elizabeth S. Moore and Trustees Act, 1852, petition for vesting order; Minister for Public Works and claim of S. J. Bryen, petition for payment out; Minister for Public Works and claim of Buckland, petition for payment out; Lucas v. Neild, motion to discharge amended claim; ex parte Hume and Attorneys Act, summons to vary certificate; Stitt v. Richards, motion for leave to amend; New South Wales Property Investment Company, Limited, motion for directions; re will of Michael Smith, deceased, and Settled Estates Act, summons for appointment of guardian; Australian Mutual Provident Society v. Westbrook and others, motion for decree; same v. Beale, motion for decree; same v. Taylor, motion for decree.

Before the Master in Equity.—Lunacy, 11 a.m. Company matters, 2 p.m. At 3 p.m.: Olliffe v. O'Neill, to settle minutes of order; Walmsley v. Street, for directions; M'Clemens and Settled Estates Act, to settle minutes of decree; Union Bank v. Burrett, to proceed on inquiry; Union Bank v. Jamieson, to proceed on inquiry.

Before the Deputy Registrar.—At 11 a.m.: National Mutual Life v. Golding, to settle minutes of order. At 11.30 a.m.: Swanston v. Ryrie, to tax costs. At 12 noon: Morrissey v. Young, to settle minutes of decree. At 2 p.m.: Goddard v. Cole, adjourned taxation.

In Divorce.—Before his Honor Mr. Justice Simpson, at 10 a.m., hearing of causes.

Prothonotary's Office.—Before the Prothonotary, Hallen v. King, 11. Before the Chief Clerk, A.J.S. Bank v. Seymour, 4.

Probate Jurisdiction.—Before the Chief Judge in Equity, at 10 a.m., adjourned applications for probates and administrations, adjourned motions for sale of real estate, miscellaneous motions. Before the Registrar, at 11 a.m., to proceed on accounts in the following estates:—Thos. M. Lynch, Anne C. F. Piper, Isaac Farclay, Jas. W. Marsans; at 2.15, Robert Cork.

Before the Registrar in Bankruptcy.—At 10: C. J. Lawn, examination under section 30. At 11: Thos. G. Kelly, hearing on proof of A. J. Kelly; John Slamon, public examination and examination under section 30; Simon Davis, public examination and examination under section 30.

Before the Chief Clerk in Bankruptcy.—At 2: In re Edwards, taxation of petitioning creditors' costs. At 2.30: In re Smith, taxation of respondent's costs.

DISTRICT COURT.—FRIDAY, MARCH 13.

(Before his Honor Judge Murray.)

For judgment: Lesder v. Lloyd. Show cause summons: Borough of Woollahra v. Eustes. Applications to examine judgment debtors: Tollemache v. Hill, Elliott v. Clarke, Renard and another v. Beverley, Henworth v. Rowe and another, Murray v. Mitchell, M'Kenzie v. Spalding, Lazarus v. Bowtell, Pandy v. Brown, Elliott v. Danes, Reuter Telegram v. Frost, Munro v. Bennie, Union Bank v. Clune. Ca. sa. applications: Hickman v. Gay, Day v. Day, Peapes v. O'Magher, City Bank v. Spalding, Croaker v. Cane, Reeves v. Walker, Hull v. Hasmot, Thompson v. Paton, Weir v. Kerr, Thompson and another v. Blackman, Dawson v. Walker, Williams v. Slate, M'Donald v. Rochford, Lucas v. Cousins, Schruder v. Kentwell, Nettheim v. Castle, Hely v. Willis, Nicolls and another v. Parkes, Weise v. Downes and another, Wetzel v. Younger, Farrelly v. Scott, Paterson v. Le Breton, Lucas v. Stark. Order examination as judgment debtor: Booker v. Martin, Margetts v. Wood, Rovery v. Brodie, Nicoll v. Moorehouse. Garnishee: Schmelitschek v. Torr, garnishee Wimble and Co.; Bridges v. Roberts, garnishee Borough of Lane Cove; Scott v. Wilson, garnishee Gillham; Kyngdon v. Burcher, executor of the will of W. B. Bradley, deceased, garnishee Paterson. Stay of proceedings: Chales v. Ehler. Application for discovery order: Booker v. Proctor. 9.15, Preddy v. Chapman, before ca. sa. or other motions. Ca. sa. and other motions will be taken at 10 a.m.

POLICE COURTS.

STEALING FROM THE PERSON.

Frederick Wilson was charged, before Mr. Smithers, S.M., at the Central Police Court yesterday, with stealing a purse containing £1 19s 1½d and four tram tickets from Amy Hayes. It was stated that whilst prosecutrix was riding in a Leichhardt tram near St. Benedict's, George-street West, on the 18th January, accused jumped on to the footboard and snatched a purse from her lap. He was sentenced to three months' imprisonment.

SUSPECTED PERSONS.

At the Water Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Addison, S.M., John Stewart, who had six aliases, was charged with being a suspected person found frequenting George-street with intent to commit a felony, to wit, to steal. Detective Hoskisson deposed that he saw the accused in George-street on Saturday morning. Stewart placed his hand in a lady's pocket three times, but did not succeed in extracting anything. A sentence of four months' imprisonment was imposed.

On a similar charge Thomas Payne was sentenced to one month's imprisonment, and Robert Harding to 14 days' imprisonment.

THEFT OF JEWELLERY.

Martin Herbert Walker was charged at the Water Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Addison, S.M., with stealing a quantity of jewellery and a number of other articles, valued at £15, the property of James M'Arthur. The evidence showed that the articles were stolen from a place in Kent-street, and were subsequently recovered from several pawnshops. A fine of £5 was imposed, with an alternative of two months' imprisonment.

DISOBEYING AN ORDER OF THE COURT.

On Tuesday Mr. Giles, S.M., while presiding at the Glebe Court, ordered a man named Charles Joseph Gorman to deliver up to the owner a horse by 3 o'clock that day. Defendant did not do so. Yesterday he was again brought before the magistrate, and charged with having disobeyed an order of the Court. Mr. Giles ordered him to pay forthwith £12, the value of the horse, together with £1 3s, costs of Court; in default two months' imprisonment.

ILLEGALLY ON THE PREMISES.

At the Glebe Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Giles, S.M., Thomas Jones, aged 35, was charged with having been found within the premises of Michael Harrison, of Rofe-street, Leichhardt, with the intention of stealing. Accused pleaded guilty, and was ordered to be imprisoned, with hard labour, for three months.

A CHARGE AGAINST A MOTHER.

At the Redfern Police Court yesterday, before Captain Fisher, S.M., a married woman named Mary O'Connell, age 31, residing with her husband at Eveleigh-street, Redfern, was charged with having neglected to provide necessary food for her child, Rose Elizabeth O'Connell, age 3 months, whereby the child's health is likely to be severely injured.

The child appeared in court in charge of a nurse from the Prince Alfred Hospital.

Constable Guilfoyle stated that he was called to 13 Eveleigh-street, Redfern, the residence of Mrs. Wilson, on the afternoon of the 4th instant, where he found the child in court in the custody of Mrs. Wilson. The child was in a dying state. Witness removed the child to the Prince Alfred Hospital. Witness then made search, but could not find the mother. Senior-constable Wilson found the mother in Sydney at 11 o'clock that night under the influence of liquor.

Dr. Wade, resident at Prince Alfred Hospital, stated that the child was in a very wasted condition, and its life for some days was in great danger, either caused by neglect or disease. The child had improved under proper treatment and suitable food. The wasting, in witness's opinion, was brought about by sheer neglect and want of food.

Rose Wilson stated that that she was a married woman and the mother of eight children. Witness lived near the accused in Eveleigh-street, Redfern. Accused was the mother of the child in court. Witness first saw the child when it was five weeks old, but since it was 10 days old accused had been continually drunk. About 10 a.m. on the 2nd instant witness saw accused in a house near her own residence. She was in that person's place from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. The baby was not with her. She was very drunk all that day, and wanted to fight the neighbours. Witness ascertained that the child three months old was left all that day in accused's place in charge of a boy 7 years old. Two days later accused was drunk again in her own house. Witness looked through the window, and saw her lying on the floor in a helpless condition. Later in the day she was still in the same condition. Witness then knocked at the door several times, knowing that the child was being neglected. After some delay accused opened the door. Witness said to her, "Where is the baby?" Accused replied she did not know. Witness made a search, and found the child lying at the foot of a bed in a dying condition. It was in a filthy state, and from all appearances had not been attended to for four or five days. Witness being afraid the little thing would die sent for the police, and assisted to take it to the Prince Alfred Hospital.

Accused was committed to take her trial at the next Court of Quarter Sessions. Bail was allowed.

ALLEGED UNLAWFUL ASSAULT.

At the North Sydney Police Court yesterday, before Mr. C. Delohery, S.M., the charge preferred against Alfred Riddle for maliciously wounding a man named Lewis was resumed, having been postponed from last Tuesday. After further evidence was taken, the hearing was adjourned till Monday next.

ASSAULTING A LATE EMPLOYER.

At the Redfern Police Court yesterday, before Captain Fisher, S.M., Alfred Seagar was charged at the instance of David Turnbull Brown with having assaulted him at Redfern on 7th March. Mr. Carter Smith appeared for complainant, and Mr. Oliver for the defence. Accused pleaded guilty, and was ordered to pay a fine of £1, together with 10s witness expenses, 21s complainant's costs, and 5s costs of Court, in default two months' gaol.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATION.

The final meeting of the committee in connection with the above was held on Wednesday evening, when the following gentlemen were present:—The Cardinal (in the chair), Bishop Higgins, Sir W. P. Manning, Monsignor O'Brien, Very Rev. P. A. Slattery, O.S.F., Hon. J. T. Toohey, Colonel Waddell, Drs. Odillo Maher and Warren, Messrs. P. Sheridan, Hassall, M.L.A., T. M. Slattery, P. R. Larkin, L. Foley, J. A. Delany, T. M. Malone, E. O'Farrell, E. Moore, J. Dwyer, W. M. Fox, Wm. Hogan, J. Nelson, T. J. M'Cabe, C. J. Morrissey, J. Blakeney, J. H. De Courcey, C. Duffy, J. Sheehy, M. Cody, J. Kane, P. H. Dorahy, and the hon. secretaries. The sports committee reported that all arrangements were finally completed, and that upwards of 300 entries had been received for the various events, there being over 80 entries for the cycling events alone. Alderman O'Riordan, Mr. James Daly, and Mr. E. O'Farrell were appointed judges for the dancing events, Mr. T. M. Malone handicapper for various events, and Messrs. Blakeney and L. Foley judges, Mr. Hassall referee, Mr. C. J. Morrissey being appointed master of the track; and Mr. R. Coombes and Mr. Marks, president and secretary respectively of the N.S.W. Amateur Athletic Association, and Mr. Jones, secretary of the Cyclists' Union, tendered their services in connection with the various amateur events, and their offers were accepted by the committee. The band of the H.A.C.B. Society of 15 performers was engaged. It was also decided that the "A. L. Baird" judging machine should be used on the occasion. The secretaries announced that invitations to luncheon had been accepted in addition to his Excellency by, amongst others, the Premier (the Hon. G. H. Reid), Sir Joseph Abbott (Speaker), Hon. W. J. Lyne, and the Mayor of Sydney.

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TAXATION INQUIRIES.

OFFICIAL REPLIES.

Large numbers of correspondents continue to write to us asking for information in regard to various points connected with the Land and Income Taxes, while others have written criticising answers already given. We desire our correspondents to understand that our object in setting aside this column to these inquiries is that of assisting them in dealing with real difficulties, not of discussing any hypothetical or suppositious questions which it is possible to raise under the Taxation Acts. The following is a further batch of letters with the official replies, and also the letters written by certain correspondents relative to points which have arisen:—

"H. H. H." writes:—"I am the owner of a freehold estate on which I pay land tax. I have also about 5000 acres of Crown lands under lease to me, which are worked in conjunction with the estate, and on which Crown lands 1400 sheep died out of 3200. Must I make a return for the whole of my estate or will a nil return 'from occupancy of lands of the Crown' be sufficient? The returns from the estate are my private affairs, and taxed under the land tax, and as the profits, if any, are not taxable it is unfair to ask for a return."—The official answer is that "H. H. H." should show in his income return how he arrives at this result.

"Miner" writes:—"I have a gold-mining lease from the Crown consisting of 10 acres. I have refused £10,000 for it. Last year profits amounted to £1000. Which will I have to pay a tax upon—the value of the land less exemption, or upon the income?"—The official reply is that "Miner" will pay tax upon the land. An income return should be furnished. If "Miner" thinks he is exempt from income tax he should claim the exemption on the return itself.

"D. N." writes:—"I have a property at Summer Hill which I let at 17s 6d per week. The unimproved value of the land is £250. I therefore do not pay a land tax. 1. Am I expected to include the rent received from the property with my income from other sources and pay a tax on it? If the value of the land were £250, and I had to contribute 10d to the land tax, (2) would I then be expected to include the rent received with my other income and pay a tax on it, or would the payment of 10d land tax exempt the rent?"—The official answers are—1. Yes. 2. No.

"Colla" writes:—"A is in receipt of less than £200 a year. He has four children working, who each contribute towards their board and lodging, which costs more than they contribute. The amount they contribute will increase A's income to over £200 a year. 1. Is he required to send in a return? 2. If so, can he deduct the cost of maintaining his four children who are in employment?"—The official answer to both queries is—"Yes."

"Perplexed" writes:—"I am trustee in two estates—one returning per annum about £17, the other £35 as interest on fixed bank deposits. 1. Am I to make a return? A friend is receiving about £100 a year as stipend from a church. 2. Is he to make a return? These are facts."—The official answers are—1. Yes. 2. No.

"Anxious Lady" writes:—"1. I have land in three districts, namely, in St. Marys and Smithfield. Two have brought me in nothing since I purchased them, 12 years back, and the other has realised £15 per annum. I keep a restaurant in Sydney, and am taking just sufficient to pay expenses. 2. Will it be necessary for me to send in any returns?"—The official answer to both queries is "Yes."

"R. P." asks:—"If, say, a house valued at £750 stands on an allotment of land valued at £500, will the land be subject to taxation?"—The official answer is "Yes."

"A. B. D." writes:—"I own three houses which cost me £300 for two of them, and one £70. I let two of them, one at 9s and one at 8s, and one I live in myself. There is 133 links by 840 links. 1. Have I to send in a return showing the value of the ground without the building improvements on it, that is to say, what I should expect for the land if there were no houses on it? I value the land at £2 10s per foot. I bought the land 24 years ago, it cost me £100."—The official answer is "Yes."

"Trustee" writes:—"I am trustee for property from which all income is from house rents, with the exception of £50 derived from a yearly remittance in 1895. I have made up the land tax schedule. Am I also to fill up an income tax schedule for the £50, it being the sole other item received except the rents?"—The official answer is "No."

"J. W. P." asks:—"Is it necessary for me to send in a return of a small allotment of land I have at Riverstone, the value of which is about £10?"—The official answer is "Yes."

"J. T. (Darling-street)" writes:—"In the regulations of the Land and Income Tax Commissioners clause (a) says that every person carrying on a business, trade, or profession must make a return. I am informed that this only applies to persons making £200 per year or over. Is this correct?"—The official answer is—No. Every person carrying on business on his own account must furnish a return.

"E. K." writes:—"I hold a hawker's license. I pay cash for all I buy, and receive cash for all I sell. I keep no books; my profits are scarcely ever two weeks alike. Must I send in a return?"—The official answer is "Yes."

"Widow" writes:—"I possess an allotment of ground with depth 260ft., two frontages, a house on each side; one I occupy, one let. As I pay land tax (1) must I fill in income tax? Any benefit I have is from rents where land tax on. The ground opposite me has depth 230ft., one frontage. (2) Must I consider mine same value for frontage?"—The official answer is: No; the land having a greater depth would probably be worth more.

"Wid" writes:—"Widow has a son living with her who gives her £8 per month, out of which she partly keeps the house and also buys him clothes, &c., and gives him what money he requires for other expenses. Another son, not living with her, gives her £3 per month. She has £20 in the Savings Bank, for which she gets 4 per cent. interest. She has no income from any other source, and is not in business of any kind. Is she obliged to furnish a return?"—The official answer is "No."

"Bathurst" writes:—"I am in receipt of wages amounting to £133 per year. I have land that I make, say, £60 per year by farming it. The land is not worth more than £200. 1. Am I expected to fill in an income tax return for the £196 income? 2. Am I expected to fill in a private owner's return?" The official answer to both queries is "Yes."

"X" writes:—"Is a person whose sole income is, say, £10,000 a year from money invested in Queensland, but whose home is in New South Wales, exempt from New South Wales income tax, or necessary to send in returns now being asked for?"—The official answer is "No."

"Shop" writes:—"Is it necessary for me to send in an income tax return? I had a business last year (1895) in which the takings over the counter were between £3 10s and £4 per week. I never had at any time more than £10 worth of stock on the premises, the only money of which I was sure being 5s per week from my son. I and my family were living on a few pounds I had by me."—The official answer is "Yes."

"Constant Reader" writes:—"1. I have the sum of £375 in two of the Savings Banks, from which I receive interest at 4 per cent. I have been out of work for four or five weeks, and am living on the capital. Am I expected to furnish a return? 2. If I obtain a situation at, say, £130 or under per annum, making my income with interest, say, £145 per annum, would I then be obliged to furnish a return? I am not in business, and have no other source of income?"—The official answer to both queries is "No."

"W. E. B." writes:—"I have been insuring my children's lives from infancy for endowments payable at the age of 14 years for educational purposes. Such a policy for one of my daughters matured last year. I received this money, £100, ex bonus additions—£105 odd—and hold it in trust for her. She is being educated at a boarding school, the fees for which I am paying out of this money. 1. Am I to account for this £100 as income, or would I be justified in considering it—what I really believe it to be—trust money, for which I might fairly claim exemption?"—The official answer is that "W. E. B." is not required to account for that money as income.

"W. C. S." writes:—"I own three parcels of land, the outside unimproved value of which is £190. Have I to furnish a return?"—The official answer is that a return must be furnished.

"Pegasus" writes:—"I am a storekeeper owning the fee simple of my store, and used for business purposes only. What is the amount of land tax to pay, and what is the amount of deduction I am allowed from the income tax for the said property? Value of the unimproved land £800, and building £1200."—The official answer is: A sum equal to 5 per cent. on the value of the business premises, amounting in this instance to £60.

"Newcastle" asks:—"Am I to include in my income for 1895 payments I received in that year for work I did in 1894 anteriously?"—The official answer is "No."

"E. S. F. L." writes:—"I am carrying on a small business, but have lost money over it in 1895, and during that year I was also in a situation earning £208, but only received £150. 1. Must I fill in a separate income tax form for my business and another for salary received? 2. Must I show £208 received, or only £150? 3. A person carries on a business in Sydney and owns a farm in the country. Is it necessary to fill in a separate form for the latter, or can he include it in his business?"—The official answers to these queries are:—1. Should be included in one return. 2. £208. 3. Should be shown in one return.

"Silverton" asks:—"Are dividends received from Broken Hill silver companies, the office being registered in Melbourne, to be calculated in the returns?"—The official answer is "Yes."

"M. J. C." asks:—"Can an agent for a person resident within the colony of New South Wales make out returns for both land and income, and sign same as agent for the person liable for the tax?"—The official answer is that the principal, if resident in the colony, should, if possible, sign the return.

"J. W. T." writes:—"I own a terrace of houses valued at £2400, upon which there exists a mortgage of £1200. The unimproved value of the land is estimated at £800. Can I deduct the proportionate amount of the mortgage—i.e., a half—from the land value in my return?"—The official answer is that "J. W. T." is entitled to a deduction from his land tax of 6d in the £ on the interest paid in 1895 on the whole mortgage.

"Bank Stock" writes:—"My bank shares have fallen in value, and so have my bank fixed deposits. Can I claim a reduction for these losses from my income?"—The official answer is "No."

"Leolin" writes:—"1. I (with my co-trustee) hold shares in a Sydney bank as trustee for two children. The dividends amount to £80 per annum, and a half belongs to each child, and is applied towards maintenance and education. There is no other trust property. Should I send in a return on behalf of myself and co-trustee? 2. A firm acts as trustee for a person out of the colony. For convenience investments are sometimes made in the name of an individual member of the firm. Will a return by the firm of all investments (including those made in the individual's name) suffice? 3. I invested a sum for a person out of the colony, and realised, and accounted to the person for the money invested and its income last year, and I have now no funds of his in hand. Need I send in a return in respect of this? 4. In 1894 I sold an equity of redemption of freehold land for, say, £100, to be paid in instalments extending over three years without interest. Can these instalments be considered income, and should they be returned?"—The official answer to the first, second, and third queries is "Yes;" and to the fourth "No."

"G. O. H." writes:—"1. During 1895 I was in receipt of a salary of £150 per annum, and also drew interest on a fixed deposit in the Commercial Bank; but my total income from both sources did not reach £200. Shall I have to send in a return? 2. I am now the owner of an allotment of land which I purchased only last month. I presume, therefore, as I did not own the land at 31st December last it is not necessary for me to send in a return on this occasion. Am I right?"—The official answers to these queries are: 1. Yes. 2. The owner on the 31st December, 1895, should make the return. If the present owner does so it will be accepted.

"M'C. (G.R.)" writes:—"A lady friend has a few shares in certain companies, the dividends on which last year amounted in all to £28. Will she require to send in a schedule?"—The official answer is "No."

"Mercator" asks:—"1. Is a man in business, and who is compelled to take in boarders to enable him to pay his way, required to add the fees received in his income? 2. If so, what is the deduction for food and washing? For example—A man has two boarders who pay him 20s each for board and lodging, with washing thrown in. This is not all profit, in fact it might be a loss. 3. How is the form to be filled up in this case? And (4) whether it is not necessary to give his private as well as his business address? 5. Then would not the rent of the private address come off with that of the business?"—The official answers to these queries are: 1. Yes. 2. The expenses incurred in producing No. 1. 3. By stating his receipts under heading "Gross Income," and expenses under "Deductions." 4. No. 5. For that portion of the premises used as a boarding-house.

"Puzzled (Stanmore)" writes:—"1. I have a piece of land, with property erected thereon, subject to mortgage of £510. I nominally occupy the said property. Does the mortgagee pay the tax on the said land? 2. Am I entitled to deduct the cost of building from the mortgage money when making up income return, having paid a deposit of £25 on land valued at £350, balance on time payment? 3. Am I supposed to pay tax on full value, or is the vendor to do so on balance owing, no legal transfer having been negotiated? 4. Is the balance owing to a private vendor to be deducted from the total value, and the tax paid upon the balance? The official answers to these queries are: 1. No; the owner. 2. No. 3. Yes; less the income tax at 6d in the £ on the interest he pays. 4. No.

"Thrift" asks:—"Are premiums paid upon life assurance policies included amongst the deductions?"—The official answer is: Yes, not to exceed £50.

"A Perplexed Mother" writes:—"My husband working as a mechanic receives wages far below the exemption, but I have sons from whom I receive various sums weekly for their maintenance, some of them young boys bringing in only a few shillings, not nearly enough for their support. Must I add all these together and send in the return as my husband's income, or does not the boys' money count in my housekeeping expenses?" The official answer is that no return need be made.

"S. M. L." writes:—"Two persons are carrying on a business in partnership in premises owned by one of them, and the firm has to pay rent to the partner owning the property. May the firm deduct rent so paid from their income?"—The official answer is "No."

"W. S. K." writes:—"I am in receipt of £200 per annum salary. Must I furnish a return under income tax? The notice sent out by Commissioners says, 'No return of income is required from any person in receipt of salary not exceeding £200 per annum.' A footnote calls particular attention to directions on forms of returns, and in such returns under heading 'returns,' '(b) must be furnished by all persons whose gross income, &c., amounts to £200 per annum or upwards.' Of course I am well aware of the exemption under the Act, but I am also aware that the Commissioners can call upon any person for a return. Am I required to furnish a return?" The official answer is "No."

"J. W." (Mudgee) writes:—"I am running an hotel, doing a good business. My family do all the business, and only they handle the cash. I have never kept any record of my takings in any way. I pay for my article got locally cash over the counter, and in fact I have not any record of either income or expenditure. I have never taken stock of my grog. Certainly I have my bankbook to tell me who I have paid by cheque, and that is only large amounts. Again, I hire buggies and horses, and have only a daybook record. How do I manage re repairs to buggies and horseshoeing? I have a farm, grow my own hay and corn, cut my own chaff. I do not sell any of it; use it all in feeding my horses. I have no record as to expenditure of farm or income; no record of stamps, stationery, telegrams."—The official answer to the question involved is that "J. W." must render the best return he can under the circumstances.

"Trustee" writes:—"1. A died two years ago, leaving all he had, consisting chiefly of house property, to his wife, B, and his eldest son, C, in trust for sale at their discretion. Subject to the payment of £500 a year to B for life, the proceeds were to be divided equally between C, D, E, and F, the testator's four sons. Most of the properties are still unsold, and the estate income over and above expenses of management now consists of about £1600 from rents, £300 from interest on mortgages, and £100 from bank dividends, making a total of about £2000. In accordance with the will the widow, B, receives £500 a year, and each of the sons about £375. C, the eldest son, has a business yielding him about £300 a year, but the D, E, and F, the other sons, have nothing besides their share of the estate. It will be observed that, taking the relative proportions of the different sources of the estate income from which the widow and her four sons derive their income, £400 of the widow's income is derived from rents and £100 from taxable sources, whilst of the sons' incomes in each case £300 comes from rents and the balance from taxable sources. In this case land tax is, of course, payable by the trustees, but (1) is any income tax payable (except, of course, by C), and (2), if so, who should make the return and who should pay the tax? 2. A person deriving his income mainly from interest on mortgages keeps his accounts on a strictly cash basis, considering, as his income for 1895, all amounts received during that year, whether such amounts became due during that year or earlier. According to the Act the income tax is to be levied 'in respect of the annual amount of all incomes arising or accruing to any person,' and later on it is enacted that 'income shall be deemed to have accrued to a person, although the same be not actually paid over to such person, but be credited in account,' &c., &c. Is it considered necessary that the person mentioned above should make up an account on any entirely different basis for the purpose of filling up his income tax schedule, considering as his income for 1895 interest falling due within that year whether paid or not? Must he go even farther, and considering interest as accruing from day to day make a laborious calculation as to the interest accruing to each mortgage for the exact number of days the mortgage was current? If the commissioners will accept the cash basis of account in such cases it will save an enormous amount of labour to business people, and will, of course, in the long run yield precisely the same sum to the Government."—The official answers to these queries are:—1. No; if returns are furnished by each beneficiary. 2. Yes.

"Country House, No. 2," writes:—"In your issue of 10th March, in reply to taxation inquiries, you say 'Country House' propounds an important question, viz., as February and July are dull months in the country many business houses take stock at those periods. How is a firm to supply a true and accurate account of income to December if its financial year ends in the former months? The official reply is:—'It will be sufficient to make a return for the 12 months ending at stock-taking nearest to 31st December.' In further reference to that question will you kindly answer the following:—1. Our lease starts 1st September, so we have always taken stock yearly last week in August. Will the commissioners make an allowance for the last four months in 1894, and then take account from 1st September, 1895, to 1st September, 1896, for the next assessment? If not, all persons in our position will be paying on income made in 1894 from date of stocktaking to end of year 1894."—The official answer is:—If the return cannot be made out for the year ending 31st December last, his returns will be accepted for the year ending August.

"W. S." (Ryde) writes:—"Ten years ago I bought a piece of land, for which I have a good title. At the same time and from the same party I bought another piece adjoining, which the party from whom I bought had had possession of it for 41 years. I have paid rates and taxes on both pieces. It is not Crown land. 1. Shall I have to include the latter land in my return, as the only title at present is a possessory one? I have held a piece of land (three acres) for 10 years, which I have fenced in and cultivated, paid rates and taxes for same. No previous owner known for the last 40 years. It is not Crown land. 2. Shall I have to make a return of this land in my taxation schedule?"—The official answer to both queries is "Yes."

"A. M'G." writes:—"Last year I invested about £7 in tickets in Tattersall's sweeps, but unfortunately, like the majority of those who risk their money in that way, I did not get a penny in return. I can show by a book I keep beside me the amounts I have invested in that way, and also the dividends I have received for a period of about six years. Now—1. Can I legally deduct that £7 lost in 1895 from my income for that year from other sources? 2. Will the same answer apply to investors who make no note of their transactions in such matters?"—The official answers are: 1. No. 2. Yes.

"Justitia II." asks:—"1. Is a grazier exempt from returning particulars of income under clauses g and h on form D if he only has freehold and C.P. lands which are subject to land tax? 2. If the answer to the above question be yes, how is a grazier to determine his income when his stock runs on freehold and C.P. lands and annual and conditional leases, leasehold areas, &c., the last three of which are not subject to land tax? The stock roam about so much that it would be quite impossible to determine income from each class of land."—The official answers are: 1. Yes. 2. He should divide the income pro rata between the freeholds and leaseholds.

"Junior" writes:—"An important question in connection with the new taxation is this, What private persons are required by the Act to furnish returns of land and income? In their observations annexed to the forms and in their answers to queries as reported in your columns the commissioners seem to lay down that returns must be furnished by the following persons:—1. Land: Every owner of land irrespective of its value. 2. Income. (a) Every person carrying on any business, trade, or profession. (b) Every other person, not being a company, whose gross income accruing in the colony amounts to £200 per annum or upwards. As to the returns of land, it seems clear that the above statement properly expresses the effect of the Act (see s. 30, ss. i., ii., and viii., and s. 60). But as to returns of income, I can find nothing in the Act which limits the class of persons required to furnish such returns as above mentioned. On the contrary, the above sections of the Act apply to returns of income as well as land. It is expressly enacted by s. 30, ss. viii., that 'no person shall be released from the obligations and penalties by this Act or the regulations imposed in respect to the making of returns therein mentioned, by reason only that such person may be within the exemptions as to value of land or amount of income taxable' thereinbefore declared; and s. 60, i., enacts that any person who fails or neglects to furnish any returns within the prescribed time is liable to a penalty of £20. Further, I can find nothing in the provisions of the Act as to the persons required to furnish returns of income which warrants a distinction being made between 'persons carrying on any business, &c.,' and the 'other persons' mentioned above. The difficulty which the attempt to make this distinction has brought about well appears by the reply of the commissioner to the queries of 'Lady,' set out in your issue of 9th instant. The commissioners have been driven to the position of holding that 'Lady,' who derives her income (the gross amount of which is less than £200) from rents, interest on mortgages, and Savings Bank deposits, is 'carrying on a business,' and consequently must make a return of income. How can this be justified by the Act? As I read the Act, every private person of full age is thereby required to furnish a return of land and income, and is liable to a penalty for omitting to do so."—The official answer to the question involved in this letter is: All owners of land have to furnish returns of such land irrespective of the value. If engaged at salary or wages only amounting to less than £200 per annum, an income return need not be sent in.

NATIONALISATION OF THE COAL MINES.

THE PREMIER ON STATE SOCIALISM.

Messrs. Sleath and Hughes, Ms.L.A., introduced to the Premier yesterday afternoon a deputation consisting of Messrs. Macnamara, Dwyer, Geary, Mrs. Macnamara and Miss May Hickman, appointed at a meeting recently held in the Domain to lay before the Government a number of resolutions in regard to the impending difficulty at Newcastle and to urge that the coal mines be nationalised.

Mr. Macnamara, who was chairman of the meeting referred to, said that a large number of people connected with the socialistic and democratic organisations of the community had thought that some steps should be taken to bring under the attention of the Government the probability of a conflict at Newcastle, with a view, if possible, of preventing any further trouble. A ballot was at present being taken among the coal-miners as to whether they should strike for a higher hewing rate or continue to submit to a reduction which meant a bare existence. Many of the men did not average more than £1 per fortnight, and the district was in a deplorable condition. It was thought that the Government might introduce into the Assembly the Coal Mines Regulation Act with all the drastic clauses which were rejected by the Upper House. One of the clauses rejected was that which compelled mineowners to pay miners for taking out slack. The condition of the miners was due to the insane competition among the colliery proprietors. He thought that much would be done to alleviate the difficulty if the Government established a minimum hewing rate and a minimum selling rate. This would regulate the trade and benefit every one concerned. He might point out that, although coal was being sold at a ridiculous price at the mouth of the mines, there was no appreciable difference in the price in the Sydney market. The deputation asked that the Government should take up coal-mining and mineral-bearing lands to be worked co-operatively in competition with the present collieries. The A. A. Company had taken up land 50 years ago, but had not fulfilled the conditions. They thought that this land might be resumed and worked by the Government. They did not advocate that the State should forcibly take the mines, but that the Government should take advantage of the opportunity of giving the miners a chance of earning a decent existence.

Miss May Hickman said that she came there to speak on behalf of the women. However heavily labour troubles and difficulties fell on the men, they were felt threefold by the women and children. When men's wages were reduced the food in the homes and the clothes of the children had to be retrenched. They, as women, who had the arduous task of bringing up the future citizens, had no right to have these hardships thrust upon them, and therefore felt justified in approaching the Premier for the purpose of asking him to introduce legislation which should prevent employers from forcing down wages to the lowest point. She asked the Premier whether he would use every effort to prevent a difficulty at Newcastle, and to make every necessary provision for the passage of democratic legislation through the Upper Chamber. She contended that the principle of State ownership was gaining ground in various parts of the world, and instanced the resumption of the water supply scheme by the London County Council and of the Glasgow tram system by the municipal authorities.

Mrs. Macnamara said that if peaceful conditions were not given to them other conditions of a far worse nature might ensue.

Mr. Hughes, M.L.A., said it was to be hoped that the Premier would look at the question entirely from the standpoint of expediency. In face of an impending national disaster it was the duty of those at the head of affairs to take whatever steps might be necessary to prevent that calamity. Although he was a socialist, he refused to regard this proposal as a socialistic experiment. The men had no more right to declare their intention to bring disaster on a national asset than had the masters. He felt that the coal industry was a national asset, and as such should be protected in the interests of the people. He thought that the Government should interfere—if it could be called interference—in a case like this, and see that the men received sufficient upon which to live.

Mr. Dwyer said that the average rate of the earnings of miners for last year, as shown by Coghlan, was £1 0s 6d per week. He thought that a vend rate and a hewing rate should be fixed and a board of control appointed by the Government. The Northern districts were now in a state of abject poverty, and the national interest imperatively demanded some step to be taken.

The Premier, in reply, said that the requests made to him involved more difficulties than any requests made by any previous deputation. He would not enter into a question of theory; it was absurd to attempt to define these things. He quite admitted that the State had in the past done things not essentially different to those which he was asked to do that day. The main point of the deputation, he understood, was to ask him to endeavour to prevent the impending danger of a strike at Newcastle. When a labour difficulty occurred it placed those who wielded the executive power in a most painful position. The Executive in any country when trouble occurred had only one duty to perform, and that was to put disorder down. He personally desired to avoid a strike, because he would have to do his duty as fearlessly in this case as in any other case. He hoped that if a strike did occur it would be conducted on peaceful lines, but he knew enough of human nature to know how difficult that was. He had taken considerable interest in this question, and had recently had long interviews both with the miners and owners. He found that a large number of these companies had paid no dividend to their shareholders for a considerable time. Others had only paid intermittent dividends. The A. A. Company, which had been mentioned that day, was the only company who had declined to reduce the hewing and selling rates, with the result that the men were only working half time. If the State nationalised any coalmines it would have to become a monopoly, for unless the whole of the mines were nationalised their object would be lost. If the State competed with other collieries, the position of affairs would be the same. The two things would not run together. They could not get the benefit of undivided ownership if other people were selling in competition with them. Assuming that the State crushed the private mineowners, then they would have a monopoly of production as far as New South Wales was concerned. For consumption in New South Wales the Government could fix any price it liked.

Mr. Hughes: Not under your freetrade tariff.

The Premier: He was first taking the question on the ground of effective monopoly. The result of that would be to the extent only of our own local requirements. But half of our coal trade was with foreign countries, and therefore the benefits of Government ownership would disappear immediately the ship got outside the Heads. A Government monopoly under the most favourable circumstances could only control the local consumption. If the Government prices were such that other mineowners could compete, then what was the use of the Government monopoly? The question of the nationalisation of mines was open to argument on both sides. Dealing with practical politics to-day, it was a subject he would not take up, because it would be a waste of time.

Mr. Hughes: It is not a Utopian idea.

The Premier: In the politics of to-day it is a Utopian idea, because it is not practical. The proposal that the Government should open up coalmines might have a great deal to recommend it; but it had not sufficiently impressed him to induce him to propose it either to Parliament or to his colleagues. He thought there would be more loss than gain by any interference in this matter as society was at present constituted. They might in the future get a better state of society, with a better state of government, when such questions as these might be seriously considered.

DEEDS AND THE LAND TAX.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Having to make out a return for the land tax for a property which is mortgaged, I applied to the solicitor holding the deeds for the particulars to form the description for the said return. To my surprise I was met with a demand for 10s 6d, the said solicitor's fee for showing me what were virtually my own documents. I paid the amount and got the description in five minutes, the solicitor intimating that the documents would not be shown to me unless the fee were paid. As this is a matter that will apply to thousands of people, some of whom may be very poor ones, I would ask you, Mr. Editor, if it is a rightful charge to make, seeing that it is the Government who demands the description and information. If it is a proper charge to make, then Mr. Reid has certainly not forgotten his legal friends in imposing the land tax.

I am, &c., TRUSTEE.

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PRESBYTERIAN GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

NINTH DAY.—THURSDAY.

The Moderator took the chair at 10 a.m.

COMMISSION OF ASSEMBLY.

An act to form a Commission of Assembly to meet in St. Stephen's Church on the 9th July, 1896, and the 7th January, 1897, for the purpose of considering the scheme of union, the Pitt-street case after consideration by the Presbytery of Sydney, was considered in committee, and after slight amendment was agreed to on report to the house.

THE TEMPERANCE REPORT.

The Rev. A. Miller, M.A., submitted the report of the temperance committee. It stated that the attention of the committee had been mainly devoted to the fostering of temperance societies in connection with the various congregations throughout the Church. They had co-operated with the Local Option League in seeking to have the present licensing laws enforced, and in seeking to secure further legislation in the direction of full local option without compensation. They regretted, however, that during the past year pressure of other business has prevented Parliament from dealing with the liquor traffic, but trust that during the ensuing session time may be found for dealing with this most important subject.

The Rev. A. Miller moved,—"That the report be received; that the principle of total abstinence as the basis of temperance work be re-affirmed; that the assembly renews its approval of the principle of full local option without compensation, and expresses the hope that the Government will pass the bill next session, instructs the committee to continue to use its influence towards securing legislation to this end, and that the resolutions be conveyed to the Minister for Education; that ministers be recommended to preach on a convenient Sabbath in December a special sermon dealing with the evils of intemperance, and the best means of counteracting them." He said that he believed in total abstinence, he practised total abstinence, but he did not attempt to force total abstinence on others. He merely advocated total abstinence with all his heart.

The Rev. Dr. Bruce objected to the third clause, re-affirming the principle of total abstinence as the basis of temperance work. Such had never been affirmed by the Church. Temperance was part of the moral theology of the Church, and was incorporated in the whole constitution of the Church, but total abstinence was not. Before total abstinence could be so affirmed it would have to be sent down to presbyteries under the Barrier Act. He was not opposed to total abstinence, but he did say that it had never been affirmed by the Church. He moved that the clause be excised.

Mr. William Wood seconded the amendment.

The Rev. T. E. Clouston said he would not for one moment say that total abstinence was ordained in the Scriptures. But on the grounds of Christian expediency the General Assembly of 1884 had affirmed that the basis of temperance work should be total abstinence.

The Rev. G. M'Innes said that all were at one that total abstinence was not binding on the conscience on every Christian man. The committee asked the Assembly to adopt as a principle that which was not recognised in the Scriptures as a principle. It was non-Scriptural. (Cries of "No.") If the temperance committee taught the children the principle of total abstinence on the ground of expediency he would not quarrel with that; but if, going behind the teaching of the great Apostle Paul, they taught total abstinence as an essential principle of Christian religion, then he would challenge it as being radically wrong. A child, having been taught that total abstinence was an essential principle, after he grew up and examined the Scriptures for himself, one of two things must happen—his respect for temperance must be shaken or his reverence for the sacred Scriptures must be lessened.

The Rev. A. Miller said that he would agree to the amendment of the third clause to read,—"That the principle of total abstinence as the basis of the committee's work be re-affirmed."

The clause as amended was agreed to.

Principal Kinross moved the omission of clause 4, with the object of inserting the following:—"Inasmuch as there is a difference of opinion among the friends of the temperance cause as to the best methods of securing temperance reform, this Assembly deems it highly expedient that all who have at heart the suppression of drunkenness should unite together in urging the Government of the colony to adopt such measures as would secure the following necessary reforms:—The reduction of public-houses to a certain statutory number; the prohibition of the employment of barmaids; and the closing of public-houses at 10 o'clock p.m." He said he did not have much faith in local option. He believed in national, and not local, option. The result of local option would be, perhaps, that those localities would suppress public-houses where the suppression was not so much required; while, on the other hand, where the number of public-houses ought to be diminished, those were the very localities where they would be allowed to remain as they were.

The Rev. A. Miller said he would accept the amendment as a separate clause. The suggestion was agreed to, and clause 4 was further discussed, and by a majority it was resolved to leave in the words "without compensation" by one vote. The deliverance as moved by the Rev. A. Miller was agreed to clause by clause.

REMANETS.

The house then proceeded to consider the postponed clause of the deliverance of the foreign missions committee, adding to the committee the president, secretary, treasurer, and each convener of subcommittees on the New Hebrides Aboriginal, Chinese, and Zenana Missions of the Women's Missionary Association, and the president and secretary of the Fellowship Union.

The clause was ruled out of order on the ground that the proposal contained it should be brought forward by overture, and it was accordingly remitted as an overture to the Commission of Assembly.

It was agreed to send a letter of congratulation to the Rev. Dr. Grant on his attainment of the 90th year of his age and the 60th year of his ministry.

Votes of thanks were accorded to the minister and office-bearers of St. Stephen's Church, to the hospitality committee, to the merchants who had aided them, to the ladies of the Women's Missionary Association, and to the press.

The Moderator delivered a suitable closing address, in which he suggested for consideration during the coming year the two questions "What aid can be given to congregations in the selection of pastors?" and "What is the most suitable scheme for the permanent interchange of the spheres of labour between ministers?"

The minutes of the sederunt were read and confirmed, and the next meeting having been fixed for the Tuesday after the first Sabbath in May, 1897, the sittings of the Assembly were closed by the pronouncing of the Benediction.

WESLEYAN CONFERENCE.

THURSDAY.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Ministerial Conference met at 2 o'clock.

The resolutions of the Rev. R. H. Rickard, re candidates for the ministry and the oral examination of probationers, were submitted. The previous question having been moved by the Rev. B. J. Meek, the former resolution dropped, and Mr. Rickard asked the permission of the Conference to withdraw the second resolution. The Conference agreed.

The representative Conference then met, when a number of lay representatives took their seats.

The secretary of the Conference submitted the balance-sheet of the Conference Expenses Fund. The report was adopted.

The Rev. R. Caldwell moved that the following be the committee of the Children's Fund for the ensuing year:—The Revs. B. J. Meek and T. B. Holmes, and Messrs. B. H. Chapman and R. W. J. Harley.

The Conference resolved that the district synods meet during the week following the third Sunday in November. The business paper to be used to be printed on the Conference minutes.

The following gentlemen were appointed to represent the Wesleyan Church at the Council of the Churches:—The Revs. J. E. Carruthers, Dr. Sellors, R. Bavin, W. W. Rutledge, and Messrs. J. Fletcher and W. Crispin.

The question of the recognition of the active members of the Christian Endeavour Society as members of the Church was discussed, and remitted to the district synods with a view to its further consideration at the next Conference, and ultimately to be submitted to the ensuing General Conference.

The Hon. F. T. Brentnall, M.L.C., of Queensland, having entered the Conference, the President cordially welcomed Mr. Brentnall.

After dealing with a number of miscellaneous resolutions, Mr. W. Winn moved,—"That it be a recommendation to the General Conference that the stationing of ministers should take place in the representative Conference rather than in the ministerial Conference as at present." The motion, on being put to the vote, was lost.

The Rev. J. G. Middleton moved,—"That, in order to improve the character of the session devoted to the conversation on the work of God, the President be requested to appoint two or three ministers and laymen to give addresses on subjects bearing upon the work of God in the colony." The resolution was carried.

The Rev. J. W. Moore submitted his resolution, already published, referring to the federation of the Churches. It was resolved to submit the proposals to the Wesleyan section of the Methodist Union Federal Council.

The Conference adjourned at 5.30.

TRANSIT COMMISSION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—The question of abolishing the Metropolitan Transit Commission has again been brought forward in the City Council with a view to place the licensing and general control of the traffic in their hands. I would again suggest, as upon a former occasion, vesting these powers in the hands of the police, as in London. Your own special correspondent to England recently bore testimony as to the able manner in which the police authorities carried out these duties in London. The many advantages arising from the police control are almost too numerous to enumerate. One thing is very certain, that the outside municipalities would not consent to the licensing fees of all public vehicles being absorbed by the city treasury. No very great addition to the police force would be necessary to enable them to carry out these duties, and after the necessary expenditure had been met the balance arising from fees, &c., could be divided pro rata between the city and the suburban municipalities. At present these bodies receive nothing. One of the greatest advantages of police over municipal control is that an officer of the former will be a much more independent personage than the latter, being outside of political control and influence. At present this is very perceptible in the contempt largely shown to the Transit Commission and corporation uniform as compared with that of the police.

March 3. I am, &c., GEORGE E. YOUNG.

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—March 12.

Electra (s.), 398 tons, Captain Edward Farrell, from Richmond River 11th March. Passengers—Mesdames Guerney, Robertson, Leslie, Harkowitz, Misses Clifton, Tierney, Messrs. J. Brown, C. Paterson, J. N. Chapman, F. Guerney, J. Bauman, J. Harkowitz, Fenwick, and 9 in the steerage. North Coast S.N. Company, Limited, agents.

Oakland (s.), 398 tons, Captain Benjamin Alley, from Richmond River. Passengers—Mesdames M'Leish, Finn, Warren, Webber, Lane, Misses Andrews, Ormond, Webber, Bryant, Messrs. M'Leish, Duffkay, Peterson, Broander, and 6 in the steerage. W. T. Yeager, agent.

Macleay (s.), 398 tons, Captain Horatio Wood, from Richmond River 11th instant. Passengers—Messrs. W. C. Renwick, J. C. Bagot, J. News, E. V. Hudson, R. Duncan, and 4 in the second cabin. North Coast S.N. Company, Limited, agents.

Archer (s.), 694 tons, Captain Henry, from an Island cruise. Passengers—Dr. and Mrs. Irmer and family (3), Mr. and Mrs. Kolbe child and servant, Mr. Ingalls and son, Messrs. Pollok, Mahaffy, Martin and son, Tuckfeldt, Christiani, Schweighöfer, D. Flood, B. Corrie. John Williams, agent.

Oonah (s.), 1757 tons, Captain W. J. Featherstone, from Hobart. Passengers—Mesdames Collingwood and 3 children, Lord, Lassetter child and 2 servants, Wessberg and infant, W. H. Linsley child and nurse, H. H. Cooper and 2 children, W. H. Mant, Buck, Anderson, M'Vicary and son, Fraser, Ritchie, W. H. Baxter, N. Muller, W. Scott, Manning, Snell, G. Patterson, M'Arthur, Leahy and child, C. J. Harris and nurse, Albury, H. J. Murdoch, Misses Annie Fraser, Minnie Fraser, R. Fysh, M. Nimmo, Murray, Ritchie, E. Angus, Angus, Shea, Douglas, Warren, Graham, Smith, F. Scott, N. Newton, Harris, Brownlie, Nolson (2), W. Brown, Revs. Canon Banks-Smith, Dr. Manning, Drs. Collingwood, Anderson, Crowther, Lempriere, Hood, F. C. Griffin, Messrs. W. H. Linley, T. Murray, J. J. Shea, C. H. Hughes, J. Thompson, F. J. Spencer, J. Spencer, F. Roberts, N. Muller, Aldridge, H. Goodwin, G. Patterson, G. Alleaby, J. W. Allpass, W. Scott, Leahy and child, H. B. Pike, M'Dowall, C. J. Harris, A. H. M'Donald, F. M. Robertson, G. Stevens, R. Fraser, F. Lassetter, Mesdames Turbett, Bray, Neil, Finlay, Collis, Lowday, Mallett, Misses M'Sheen, Daley, Finlay, Banks, M'Carty, Messrs. J. R. Gallaher, J. T. Sole, S. Stocker, Albury, Finlay (3), T. Hindes, W. Daniels, Simmons, J. Montgomery, J. Foster. F. W. Jackson, agent.

Chundera (s.), 258 tons, Captain John Pearson, from Tweed River 10th March. Passengers—Mr. W. Massie, Mr. M. Martin, and 4 in the steerage. George W. Nicoll, agent.

Kallatina (s.), 680 tons, Captain John Magee, from Grafton 11th instant. Passengers—Mrs. Niland, Mrs. Kastrup, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. O'Sullivan, Miss Brown, Miss Gioranelli, Miss Goding, Miss Shore, Miss Dagnan, Miss O'Sullivan, Messrs. J. Dowling, W. Milland, G. Tyler, D. Hyndman, J. Cook, O. von Bieben, A. M'Dougall, E. C. Madgwick, Master Niland, and 18 in the second cabin. North Coast S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

Kameruka (s.), 505 tons, Captain W. O. Herace, from Eden and ports. Passengers—Mesdames Goward, Branch, Farraher, M'Clintock, Gough and family; Misses Walters, Branch, Chesterton, Farraher, Messrs. Goward, Bumfley, Cornell, Walker, Robson, Foley, Jamieson, Bowman, M'Clintock, Wright, Masters Gough (2), Cochrane. Illawarra S.N. Company, Limited, agents.

DEPARTURES.—March 12.

Sommerfeld (s.), for Hamburg, via ports.
Talune (s.), for Newcastle.
Tanais (s.), for Noumea.
Menmuir (s.), for Hongkong and ports.
Rotokino (s.), for Launceston.
Taviuni (s.), for Fiji and ports.
Manapouri (s.), for Auckland.
Bungaree (s.), for London, via ports.
Asphodel (s.), for Western Australia, via ports.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—March 13.

Elingamite (s.), for Melbourne; Electra (s.), for Richmond River; Oakland (s.), for Richmond River, via Newcastle; Illawarra S. N. Company's steamers, for Wollongong, Kiama, Shoalhaven, Clyde River, Nelligen, Bateman's Bay, and Ulladulla; Marion Fenwick (s.), for Cape Hawke; Sydney (s.), for Newcastle.

CLEARANCES.—March 12.

Menmuir (s.), 1[illegible] tons, Captain Hugh Craig, for Hongkong and Japan, via Port Darwin, Townsley Island, Cooktown, and Townsville. Passengers—For Hongkong: Mrs. Bodberd, Mr. G. J. Brumley, Mr. M'Archer, Mr. W. Nicholls, Mr. and Mrs. Wheen and 3 children, Rev. Hon. Canon Bouverie, Hon. Stuart Bouverie, Mr. E. Buckhold. For Japan: Mr. W. J. Bowdon, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Young, Mr. and Mrs. Rosenfeld. For Thursday Island: Mr. P. Fitzwilliams. For Port Darwin: Mr. W. Griffiths, Mr. E. M'Keddie, Mr. E. O. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Morris, Mr. Liddle, Mr. T. Fayle. For Shanghai: Mrs. Lamport and 2 children, and 29 Chinese; and 3 Coreans in the steerage.

Tanais (s.), 1794 tons, Captain Renes, for Noumea. Passenger—Mrs. Marin.

Talune (s.), 2020 tons, Captain E. Phillips, for Newcastle, with part original cargo.

Rotokino (s.), 2000 tons, Captain Post, for Launceston. Mr. and Mrs. H. Hallam, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Voss, Mesdames Salt and family, L. Aslin, Misses Aslin, Jollow, Hennessy, Messrs. Clean, [illegible], J. Barr, H. Law, and 3 in the steerage.

Manapouri (s.), [illegible] tons, Captain John Anderson, for New Zealand ports, via Auckland. Passengers—Mr. and Mrs. Bond, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Best, Mr. and Mrs. Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. Peet, Mesdames H. Lester and infant, Stuart, M. E. Smith, Simpson, M'Kinnon, Wheeler, Church, Newell, Smith, Misses Walker, Minnie Walsh, M. Kinney, Walsh, Lance, Foster, Fi[illegible] and (2), M. Robertson, S. Abbott, M'Kinnon, Galland, Stirling, Tamlin, M'Farlane, Williams, Church, Messrs. T. Singleton, F. Vollmer, Blythe, P. W. Ferguson, G. C. Clarke, A. Cookson, J. T. Muir, Chas. Vesty, Roland Harrowell, B. Friend, G. B. Wither, N. J. Levien, T. H. Brown, Dill, Gillion, Fred. Parton, W. E. Pickells, W. Barrie, H. Erskine, J. Peet, W. Asper, Bleimann, Geo. Simpson, C. W. Caldwell, P. M. Harris, W. J. Palfreyman, B. J. Cavanough, Godso, Wright, T. H. Surman, Chas. Farr, H. Gatherall, Captain Amodea, and 70 in the steerage.

COASTERS OUTWARD.—March 12.

Hilda, schooner, Captain C. Johnston, for Port Macquarie; Shannon, schooner, Captain W. B. Radcliffe, for Cape Hawke; Jessie Sinclair, ketch, Captain P. A. Hakanson, for Wollongong.

IMPORTS.—March 12.

[A special charge is made for consignees' notices in this column.]

Electra (s.), from Richmond River: 1636 bags maize, 40 cases eggs, 7 cases honey, 70 cheese, 5 coops poultry, 1 horse, 8 hides, 45 kegs butter, 8220ft. pine, 26 pigs, 11,[illegible] soft box-wood.

Macleay (s.), from Richmond River: 80 bags maize, 18 bags oysters, 21 dozen pumpkins, 4 dozen melons, 2 bales sheepskins, 5 cases eggs, 1 cask tallow, 2 coops poultry, 39 hides, 42 hogsheads molasses, 27 kegs and 400 boxes butter, 30 logs pine, 9 logs beech, 46 pigs, and sundries.

Archer (s.), from the Marshall Islands: 464 tons copra, 8-ton sharkfins, 9 packages effects, quantity of trade.

Oonah (s.), from Hobart: 2008 cases 2168 half-cases 40 bags 27 casks 2 buckets fruit, 28 cases pulp fruit, 6 bags peas, 5 bags turnips, 292 cases jam, 42 bales hops, 5 bags barley, 8 bages peas, 6 bales wool, 6 bales skins, 40 bundles gunnies, and quantity sundries.

Chindera (s.), from Tweed River and Woolgoolga: 50 pine logs, 5 tons sugar, 1 cask tallow, 21 hides, and sundries.

Kameruka (s.), from Eden and ports: 1275 cheese, 138 kegs and 192 boxes butter, 10 cans cream, 3 bales leather, 30 bags bones, 633 bags bark, 2 bags oysters, 30 cases bottles, 151 pigs, 5 calves, 1 horse, and sundries.

City of Grafton (s.), from Clarence River: 3162 bags maize, 210 bags bonedust, 35 bags tin ore, 6 bags pumpkins, 26 bales wool, 14 bundles skins, 7 casks tallow, 75 hides, 72 cases eggs, 10 cases fish, 11 coops poultry, 174 cans cream, 8 kegs butter, 2100 spokes, 9 logs cedar, 54 pigs, and sundries.

EXPORTS.—March 12.

Menmuir (s.), for Hongkong and Japan: 400 tons coal, 9 boxes gold (£4680), 810 quarter-bags flour, 120 bags 2350 half-boxes soap, 10 cases brandy, 25 cases milk, 14 cases salmon, 30 bales 8 rolls leather, 10,830 bars lead, 171 packages fungus, 327 packages metal, 64 bags sugar, 50 cases kerosene, 12 casks cement, 6 packages shovels, 5 drums oil, 11 bundles gluepieces, 21 bags shanks, 62 casks glass, 6 pieces oregon, 18 oregon spars, 308 pieces kauri, 76 bags hoofs, 20 bags sinews, 10 bales basils, 18 bales wool, 7 packages horseshoes, 12 bags 8 cases onions, 88 cases 20 bags potatoes, 21 bags maize, 10 bags oats, 70 bales hay, 12 cows, quantity wire rigging, 1588 packages merchandise, and sundries.

Tanais (s.), for Noumea: 287 cases fruits, 11 sacks salt, 40 cases kerosene, 31 bags rice, 11 cases cheese, 24 sheets galvanised iron, 48 kegs white lead, 64 pots, 150 bags sugar, 365 bundles timber, 181 bags potatoes, 14 bundles guttering, 12 cases china oil, 20 quarter-sacks flour, 74 kegs beef, 4 cases lard, 5 boxes butter, 48 bags onions, 38 bales hay, 17 packages vegetables, 24 drums oil, 180 sacks wheat, 10 boxes glue, 10 cases soap, 413 pieces wood, 135 bags chaff, 9 boxes tea, and sundries.

Rotokino (s.), for Launceston: 155 cases kerosene, 650 bags salt, 15 cases sugar, 170 cases salmon, 145 cases kerosene, 660 gunnies sugar, 35 cases currants, 20 bags rice, 20 bags maize, 45 cases meats, 534 cases brandy, 80 casks soda ash, 800 sacks bonedust, 130 bundles wire, 11 sacks twine, 92 packages tea, 417 bags manure, and sundries.

TELEGRAPHIC SHIPPING NEWS.
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.)

BRISBANE.—March 12: The Aramac (s.) arrived from south to-day. The Arawatta (s.), from Cooktown, arrived at noon to-day. The Australian (s.) left Flatton for Maryborough this morning. The Burwah (s.) left Maryborough for Brisbane this morning. The Duke of Argyll (s.) anchored at Whitecliff this afternoon from London. The Emerga, barque, from Townsville, anchored at Sea Hill to-day. The R.M.S. Jumna, for London, is at Townsville. The Lady Musgrave (s.), bound to Bundaberg, passed Woody Island this afternoon. The Louisa Meisel, schooner, left Townsville for Brisbane. The Maranoa (s.), for Cooktown, arrived at Cairns this morning. The Raleigh (s.) arrived at Rockhampton this afternoon from Brisbane. The Peregrine (s.) left Keppel Bay on Wednesday evening for Townsville, via Flatton.

YAMBA.—Arrival: March 12, City of Grafton (s.), from Sydney.

NEWCASTLE.—Arrivals: March 12, Age (s.), from Melbourne; Sydney (s.), Titus (s.), Sophia Ann (s.), Summerfeld (s.), Western (s.), Asphodel (s.), Garron, schooner, from Sydney. Departures: March 12, Nora, barque, for Tahiti, with 1744 tons coal; Sir John Franklin, schooner, for Napier, via Clarence River; Federal (s.), for Melbourne, with 3400 tons coal; Elingamite (s.), for Melbourne, via Sydney, with 2250 tons coal; Titus (s.), for New Guinea, via Solomon Islands, with 250 tons coal; Albatross, schooner, Advance, schooner, Fanny Fisher, barque, Sophia Ann (s.), Western (s.), Sydney (s.), for Sydney.

GABO ISLAND.—Passed: Glaucus (s.) at 10.25 a.m., north; Damascus (s.) at 11.20 a.m., north; Norkoowa (s.) at 1.30 p.m., west; Adelaide (s.) at 1.10 p.m.

MELBOURNE.—Arrivals: March 12, Coogee (s.), from Launceston; Wodonga (s.), from Cooktown, via ports; Era (s.), from Adelaide; Chemnitz (s.), from Hamburg; Wollowra (s.) and Birksgate (s.), from Western Australian ports; Cora (s.), from Port Pirie; Barrabool (s.), from Sydney. Departures: Hawkes Bay (s.), for Sydney; Gleneg (s.), for Strahan; barque Highland Light and ship Ellen A. Read left the bay for Newcastle.

ADELAIDE.—Arrivals: March 12, Time (s.), from Newcastle; Yaralla (s.), from Esperance Bay; Lockeley, barque, from Glasgow; Beatrice, schooner, from Esperance Bay. Departures: March 12, R.M.S. Valetta, for Melbourne; Manna Loa, barque, for New Zealand.

(FROM THE BOARD AT THE TELEGRAPH OFFICE.)

RICHMOND HEADS.—Passed: March 12, Leura (s.) at 10.30 a.m., south.

CLARENCE HEADS.—Arrival: March 12, City of Grafton (s.) at 5.30 a.m.

WOOLGOOLGA.—Passed: March 12, Buninyong (s.) at 9 a.m., north; Eurimbla (s.) at noon, south.

BELLINGER HEADS.—Arrival: March 12, Rosedale (s.) at 7 a.m.

COFF'S HARBOUR.—Departure: March 12, Wollumbin (s.) at 8.15 a.m., for Byron Bay.

CAMDEN HAVEN HEADS.—Arrivals: March 12, S. A. Hayward, ketch, at 6 a.m., and Lucretia, schooner, at 7 a.m., from Sydney.

CROWDY HEADS.—Passed: March 12, Taiyuan (s.) at 2.30 p.m., south.

MANNING HEADS.—Arrival: March 12, Vale, schooner, at 8.30 a.m.

CAPE HAWKE.—Arrival: March 11, Forest Queen, ketch, at 6.30 p.m.

PORT STEPHENS.—Passed: March 12, Kallatina (s.) at 2.35 p.m., and a topsail schooner at 2.35 p.m., south.

CATHERINE HILL BAY.—Departures: March 12, Kelloe (s.), Garron, schooner, at 7.30 p.m., for Sydney.

BARRENJOEY.—Arrivals: March 12, Kingsley (s.) at 8 a.m., Electra, yacht, at 2 p.m. Departure: March 12, Roy, lugger, at 12.30 p.m.

WOLLONGONG.—Arrival: March 12, Palmerston (s.) at 3 p.m., from Sydney. Departure: March 12, Illawarra (s.) at 2.30 p.m., for Sydney.

CROOKHAVEN HEADS.—Departure: March 12, Coomonderry (s.) at 11.30 a.m., for Sydney.

JERVIS BAY.—Passed: March 12, Bungaree (s.) at 2 p.m., south; Agapanthus (s.) at 3.15 p.m., north.

BATEMAN'S BAY.—Departure: March 12, Peterborough (s.) at 10 a.m., for Sydney.

BERMAGUI SOUTH.—Departure: March 12, Allowrie (s.) at 12.45 p.m., for Tathra.

GREEN CAPE.—Passed: March 12, Bothwell Castle [illegible] a.m., Glaucus (s.) at 9.5 a.m., Damascus (s.) at [illegible] steamer at 4.5 p.m., north.

WILSON'S PROMONTORY.—Passed inwards: March 12, Barrabool (s.) at 6.30 a.m. Passed outwards: March 12, Tyrian (s.) at 3 a.m., Maitland (s.) at 6.40 a.m., Highland Light, barque, at 8.15 a.m.

GABO ISLAND.—Passed: March 12, Adelaide (s.) at 1.10 p.m., west; Norkoowa (s.) at 1.30 p.m., north.

LOW HEAD.—Arrival: March 12, Pateena (s.) at 9.5 a.m., from Melbourne.

STRAHAN (TAS.).—Arrival: March 11, Bellinger (s.) during night, from Melbourne.

PORT DARWIN.—Arrival: March 11, Airlie (s.), from Hongkong. Departure: March 12, Airlie (s.), for Sydney.

ALBANY.—Departure: March 10, Australasian (s.), for Capetown.

FREMANTLE.—Arrival: March 11, Liddesdale (s.), for Adelaide.

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METEOROLOGICAL REPORTS.

Observatory, Thursday.

Average annual rainfall for 37 years, 50·054.
Average for 38 years from 1st January to 29th February, 9·186.
Total rainfall from 1st January, 1896, to 12th March, 7·310.
Sydney standard barometer at 9 a.m., 30·120.
Humidity: 9 a.m., 70°; 3 p.m., 60°.
Temperature: Maximum, 79°; minimum, 64°.

SYNOPSIS ISSUED AT 9 A.M. BY MR. H. C. RUSSELL, GOVERNMENT ASTRONOMER.

New South Wales.—Cloudy to dull inland, fine and clear on the coast.
Victoria and Straits.—Cloudy more or less generally.
Central and North Australia.—Unsettled generally.
South Australia.—Cloudy to dull and sultry; on parts of coast raining lightly.
Queensland.—Passing showers on parts of east coast, dull in parts of far S.W., elsewhere fine.
Western Australia.—Fine and warm generally, in far north unsettled.
Tasmania.—Fine and clear to fine but cloudy generally.
New Zealand.—Fine in north and south parts, showery in central.
New Caledonia.—Fine but cloudy generally.

STATE OF BAROMETERS AT 9 A.M.

Carnarvon, 29·85; Gascoigne, 29·90; Perth, 29·90; Esperance Bay, 29·; Eucla, 29·96; Streaky Bay, 27·98; Adelaide, 30·03; Robe, 30·06; Portland, 30·07; Melbourne, 30·08; Wilson's Promontory, 29·90; Gabo Island, 29·93; Cape St. George, 30·04; Sydney, 30·12; Newcastle, 30·15; Port Macquarie, 30·11; Clarence Heads, 30·15; Brisbane, 30·15; Rockhampton, 30·11; Mackay, 30·04; Cooktown, 29·95.

RAIN HAS FALLEN IN THE PREVIOUS 24 HOURS UP TO 9 A.M.

Northern Territory.—Moderate.
Tasmania.—Light generally.
South Australia.—Light on parts of the coast, with thunderstorms.
Queensland.—Light to heavy over the peninsula and on N.E. coast.

3 P.M. OBSERVATIONS.

Dubbo, calm, fine, 83°; Deniliquin, S.S.W., cloudy, 85°; Wilcannia, calm, fine, 93°; Eden, N.N.E., fine, 78°; Forbes, N., fine 82°; Newcastle, E., fine, 79°; Wentworth, E.S.E., cloudy, 93°; Bourke, W.N.W., cloudy, 96°; Sydney, N.E., fine, 76°.

COASTAL WEATHER REPORTS AT 8 P.M.

Tweed Heads, S.E., fresh, cloudy, sea heavy; Byron Bay, S.E., light, sea moderately smooth; Ballina, S.E., light, fine, sea moderate; Clarence Heads, S.W., light, fine, sea moderate; Woolgoolga, S.E., light, fine, heavy roll; Bellinger Heads, N.E., fine, sea rough; Nambucca Heads, N.E., fine, sea smooth; Macleay Heads, E.N.E., light, fine, sea heavy; Port Macquarie, N.E., light, fine, sea heavy; Manning Heads, N.E., fresh, cloudy, sea and bar rough; Seal Rocks, N.E., light, fine, sea moderate; Port Stephens, N.E., fresh, fine, sea moderate; Newcastle, N.E., fresh, cloudy, sea slight; Lake Macquarie Heads, N.E., strong, fine, sea heavy; Catherine Hill Bay, N.E., strong, fine, sea heavy; Barranjoey, N.E., light, fine, sea moderate; South Head, N.E., moderate, cloudy, sea moderate; Wollongong, N.E., fresh, fine, sea heavy; Kiama, N.E., fresh, fine, sea very rough; Crookhaven Heads, N.E., strong, fine, sea moderate; Jervis Bay, N.E., fresh, cloudy, sea moderate; Ulladulla, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Bateman's Bay, calm, like storm, cloudy, sea moderate; Moruya, N.E., like thunderstorm in S.W., sea moderate; Eden, S.W., light, showery, sea smooth; Green Cape, N.W., light, cloudy, sea slight; Gabo Island, W., light, overcast, sea slight.

FORECASTS ISSUED AT 4 P.M.

New South Wales.—Light variable winds, with some local squalls; weather fine generally, and probably thunderstorms.—H. C. RUSSELL.

Victoria.—Cloudy, with rain in most places, with light south winds and calms; smooth or moderate sea.—P. BARACCHI.

South Australia.—Close, cloudy, and unsettled, with rain here and there, thundery in places; light and variable winds, chiefly S.E., on the coast.—C. TODD.

SPECIAL FORECASTS FOR AUSTRALASIA AND OCEANA, BY MR. CLEMENT L. WRAGGE.

Western Australia.—Fair generally, rain here and there.
Northern Territory.—Cloudy to showery, with isolated thunderstorms.
South Australia.—More rain over the southern half, with S.E. to E. winds.
Queensland.—Still cloudy over the greater portion, more rain with strong winds on the coast and over the Peninsula, isolated rain and thunderstorms inland.
New South Wales.—Cloudy generally, rain developing over the interior, with scattered thunderstorms, which in turn may affect the seaboard, strong winds, sea rough south from Sydney.
Victoria.—Unsettled, rainy, squally, rough seas.
New Zealand and New Caledonia.—Fine to rainy.

ASTRONOMICAL MEMORANDA FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 13.

Sun rises at 5.54, sets at 6.15; Moon, 4.41 a.m., 5.27 p.m.; Mercury, 3.50 a.m., 5.11 p.m.; Venus, 3.30 a.m., 4.51 p.m.; Mars, 2.13 a.m., 4.7 p.m.; Jupiter, 3.34 p.m., 1.38 a.m.; Saturn, 8.54 p.m., 10.20 a.m.
New Moon, 14th; Full Moon, 29th.
High water at Fort Denison, 7.54 a.m., 8.9 p.m.

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HOBART and LAUNCESTON, 11 a.m. and noon.
WELLINGTON, &c., N.Z., 1 p.m.
MONTE VIDEO, BUENOS AYRES, CHILI, and RIO JANEIRO, 1 p.m.
NEW BRITAIN, 1 p.m.
BRISBANE, 1 p.m.
MELBOURNE and ADELAIDE, 1 p.m.
THURSDAY ISLAND, PORT DARWIN, HONGKONG, and JAPAN, 4 p.m.
MANILA, 5 p.m.
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MANNING RIVER, 9 p.m.
MACLEAY RIVER, 9 p.m.

MONDAY.

EDEN, 11 a.m.
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INDIA, MAURITIUS, and EUROPE, 2.30 p.m.
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BATEMAN'S BAY and NELLIGEN, 8 a.m.
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CLARENCE RIVER, 8 p.m.

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The Sydney Morning Herald.

FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 1896.

The Ameer of Afghanistan has sent presents to the members of the British Royal Family to the value of £120,000, as an acknowledgment of their kindness to his second son during his visit to England.

Disturbances have lately taken place in Albania, and the situation is becoming serious. Two Turkish garrisons have been compelled to retire.

The Albanians expect that Montenegro will help them to throw off the Turkish yoke.

Fourteen hundred of the survivors of the Italian garrison at Adigrat, Abyssinia, have reached Asmara.

Colonel Sir Richard E. R. Martin, K.C.M.G., British Consul in Swaziland, has been appointed commandant of the police in Bechuanaland, Matabeleland, and Mashonaland.

In the House of Commons on Wednesday a bill for preventing the sale of advowsons in the Church of England was read the second time.

The bill makes the patrons of the benefices trustees for the parishioners.

Two hundred fishermen of Finland were cast adrift on an icefloe which had become detached from the main icepack. They were eventually rescued.

Austria is planning a large increase to her army. The artillery force is to be considerably strengthened.

The Austrian Minister for Foreign Affairs, who is at present on a visit to Berlin, is urgently impressing upon the Emperor William the desirableness of becoming reconciled to England.

Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria, who is visiting the Riviera, will have an interview with Queen Victoria, who is at present at Nice.

It is stated by the *Pall Mall Gazette* that the selection of Hill as a member of the Australian Eleven is popular in English cricketing circles.

At the London wool sales on Wednesday prices were extremely firm, and medium merinos were hardening.

A difficulty, which it is hoped will not prove a serious one, has arisen with regard to Turner and the Australian Eleven. Yesterday he received a telegram from the manager of the team informing him that to secure his inclusion he would have to go by the Cuzco, and Turner replied that it was doubtful if he would be able to do so.

A meeting of the executive committee of the Australian Eleven, held in Melbourne last night, decided to offer Harry £75 as compensation.

Harry will give a reply in the morning. He has consulted two barristers, who advised him that an action would lie against the Australian team, but they counselled him to make a compromise.

The squadron, consisting of the Orlando, Wallaroo, Katoomba, and Ringarooma, arrived at Auckland yesterday, and will leave for Sydney on Wednesday next.

At the Moree Police Court yesterday the Rev. P. J. Macguinness, priest of St. Henry's Roman Catholic Church, was fined £2, with costs amounting to £6 8s 10d, or four months' imprisonment, for having assaulted a boy 11 years of age, whom he thrashed for missing mass.

It has been decided by the residents of Wollongong to celebrate the centenary of Illawarra by a picnic and sports at Tom Thumb Bowers and a ball in the Wollongong Town Hall on the 25th March.

A Clermont (Q.) telegram states that a plague of caterpillars is infesting the district.

The Minister for Agriculture, South Australia, has been in communication with the Ministers holding a corresponding office in the other colonies, with the view of arranging a conference to deal with matters affecting the export of produce. It is probable that a conference will shortly be held in Adelaide.

By Saturday the extension of the railway from Southern Cross will have reached to within seven miles of Coolgardie. It is expected that within a fortnight goods will be taken right on.

The total output of gold from Western Australia for February was 18,022oz., valued at £58,101.

People are flocking to Cue, Western Australia, at the rate of 350 per week.

A deputation waited on the Premier yesterday to urge that the coal mines should be nationalised. The Premier, in reply, said that it was a subject he would not take up, because it would be a waste of time.

Ten men employed at the Pinnacles mine in the Broken Hill district are out on strike in consequence of the discharge of one man, the manager declining to assign any reason for his action in the matter.

Yesterday the sittings of the Presbyterian General Assembly of New South Wales were concluded, and the next meeting was fixed for the Tuesday after the first Sabbath in May, 1897.

A summary of the new code of general regulations for the Public Service, as framed by the Public Service Board, will be found in another column.

Yesterday a deputation presented to the Premier a resolution passed at a public meeting held at Drummoyne approving of the removal of the abattoirs. The Premier told them that nothing had as yet been decided in regard to the subject.

At a meeting of depositors and shareholders of the Planet Permanent Building Society, held in Melbourne yesterday, the new scheme of arrangement was adopted.

Business in the Stock and Share market yesterday was devoid of any prominent feature. The demand for shares continued moderate at about late rates.

In the Import market yesterday there was a continuance of that lack of really wholesale sales which has been so characteristic of the last two months' trade. Country orders are coming in steadily, but they are generally more numerous than bulky.

At Darling Harbour yesterday 202 bales of wool were manifested. Twenty-two bales arrived coastwise, and 44 were received by rail at Newcastle on Wednesday.

There was a little more activity in the Mining market yesterday, the feature being the increased value of Block 10 shares. There was not much change in other stocks.

The Customs revenue received yesterday amounted to £4758.

With the main object of the Empire League, which is apparently to establish closer trading relations between the mother country and the colonies, while eschewing all impracticable schemes of a Customs Union, most colonists will sympathise. It may be presumed in the first place that its members desire to keep the export trade to the colonies in the hands of English manufacturers, and to prevent it from passing under the control of Germans. It must be their intention in the second place to secure a better position for Australian products in the English market, and to divert in this direction a larger portion of that enormous trade in the necessaries of life with which England enriches foreign nations. This is precisely the object at which our producers aim. The great hope of making all our agricultural pursuits permanently profitable to those who are engaged in them is to find a sure and steady market in the principal distributing centres of Great Britain. And as far as this object is achieved the payment will naturally be made in British manufactures, and not in the goods of other countries. The bulk of our produce is necessarily shipped to England for the simple reason that it affords the best outlet. The vinegrower who looks beyond the local demand naturally turns his eyes towards England, which has perforce to import every drop of the wine that the people drink. The dairyman hopes to compete successfully with the foreigners, who have hitherto been supplying the large manufacturing cities with butter. The majority of the woolgrowers, although their produce is famous all over the world, rely directly upon the prosperity of the English mills and the buoyancy of English trade. The principal market for all our produce, in a word, is in the mother country. If, therefore, it be to the interest of the English people to foster and stimulate this commerce, it is of no less importance to the producers in the colonies. Not only an expansion but a better organisation of the trade are the two things which are sought after most eagerly, and if any practical suggestion can be made in this connection we have no doubt that it will be accepted in Australia.

But how does the Empire League intend to achieve such an object, which is admittedly desirable in itself? The worst feature of the schemes proposed in the past has been that they interfere in an artificial way with the course of trade. If they are not avowedly protectionist they are at least tinged with the colour of protection. Their promoters can only think of opening one channel of commerce by damming up another, having apparently no idea that new outlets will be made by the stream itself. The newly-formed Empire League does not appear to be exempt from this weakness. Judging from the brief report which has been cabled of the deputation that it sent to Lord SALISBURY the other day, it seems to have begun its active life by asking the Government to denounce the commercial treaties with Belgium and Germany. This is by no means a new demand, and it was met as a matter of course by the old answer. Lord SALISBURY replied that he could by no means take this step until there was a definite prospect of increased trade between the different parts of the Empire. The colonial commerce is large and grows rapidly, but the volume of trade with foreign countries is so great, and so much depends upon it, that the English people can hardly be expected to sacrifice even a portion of it. If it can be replaced to some considerable extent by a colonial trade, so much the better; but the Government will not endanger it by any arbitrary interference. A war, indeed, might compel Englishmen to abandon much of their foreign traffic and to fall back upon the resources of the Empire. Or the rapidly-increasing colonial trade may become so important that they will be able to rearrange their treaties with foreign nations. The percentage of colonial to foreign commerce in the volume of English trade is constantly rising. While the exchange with old countries sometimes shows a tendency to decline, it is increasing within the Empire itself. But the time has not yet come when a British Government will make any alteration in its commercial treaties. Its foreign trade is still worth retaining, and no undue or unnecessary restriction will be placed upon it. But the same argument applies to New South Wales. It is true that our foreign trade is comparatively small, and the principal item of it is wool. But supposing that a strong demand for wool should spring up in Japan, it would be obviously unjust to the colony to enter into any agreement by which this new market would be restricted. This observation touches us more nearly in the case of America, where there is a growing demand for Australian fine wools. There is a possible foreign trade which it would be foolish on our part to throw away. Our neglect of it, indeed, would be antagonistic to the very principles which have given to England her commercial pre-eminence. The Empire League, therefore, has to formulate a scheme under which there will be no restriction of trade, no interference with the markets that may be available to different parts of the Empire.

According to the cable message Lord SALISBURY is reported to have said that the colonies ought to frame some definite scheme for improving the trade relations with the mother country. This, doubtless, struck the weak point in the proposals which the deputation submitted to him. If they asked the Prime Minister to denounce existing treaties, they probably argued that the colonies would also be willing to make concessions in order to secure a firmer place for their products in the English markets. This is the very point which requires to be made most explicit. There is little use in formulating schemes and throwing out suggestions unless the colonies know exactly how they will stand and what is expected of them. The first business of an Empire League is to discover the prospects of trade which each part of the Empire possesses and to regulate its policy accordingly. We have already shown that the natural trend of Australian commerce is towards England, and that an expansion of it is ardently desired. But it is quite a different thing to formulate a scheme under which our trade with the nearer markets in the East might possibly be hindered. As a general principle, it may be laid down that while an expansion of trade ought to be brought about by every effort, any restriction of it is unsound in principle and must be damaging in reality. It is for this reason that we deprecate all paper systems for the future arrangement of commerce. A great seaport requires to have unhampered relations with all the world, even although by far the greatest part of its business is transacted with one country. But if the members of the Empire League are in earnest, they can do much to accomplish their ambition without any ostentatious waiting upon Ministers or any public discussion. They can assist in developing the trade which already exists, in informing Australian producers as to what is required in England, and English manufacturers as to what is demanded of them in Australia. The best way after all to extend a trade is to help enterprise. Then the questions which perplex the theorists will answer themselves.

Once again the claim is advanced on behalf of the City Council to control the street traffic, and to that end to supersede the Transit Commission. The report of the Town Clerk for the past year printed in the *Herald* on Saturday indicated the attitude of the Corporation, and the address of the Mayor at the quarterly dinner held on Monday emphasised the matter further. Alderman MACKEY carried at the last meeting of the Council a resolution appointing a deputation to wait upon the Government and ask for the re-vesting in the Council of the powers exercised by the Commission. The assertion of the civic authorities is briefly that they can control the street traffic more economically and satisfactorily than the Commission can. Up to 1873 the vehicular traffic of Sydney and its vicinity was, under various Acts from 18[illegible] onwards, regulated by the Council or the Commissioners for the City of Sydney. In 1873 these powers were taken out of the hands of the municipal body and placed in those of the Metropolitan Transit Commissioners, who at first three were afterwards increased to four, namely, the Mayor of Sydney and the Inspector-General of Police ex officio, and two elected members representing the suburban municipalities and the licensees of public vehicles respectively. By the principal Act the remuneration of each Commissioner was fixed at £2 per weekly sitting. The licensing fee ranged from £6 yearly in the case of omnibuses to £2 yearly for cabs, carts, drays, or vans, with an annual fee of 10s for each driver and of 5s for each conductor. This revenue is applicable to the purposes of the Act—that is, to the regulation and management of vehicular traffic in the streets of the city and suburbs—and large powers were entrusted to the Commissioners. From the last balance-sheet of the Commissioners, that for 1895, we learn that the revenue was £6155, of which £2007 was derived from 'bus licenses and £2299 from cab licenses. There was at fixed deposit the sum of £3000. The expenditure consisted of £4170 salaries and wages, £421 commissioners' fees, £561 office expenditure, £302 shelter-sheds, and there was £663 at credit in current account.

The City Council takes note of these things with a sense that the Commission is an interloper. The feeling of some years ago was not hostile, but perhaps friendly, to the multiplication of little separate boards each taking to itself some part of civic affairs. The present feeling at the Town Hall is that this division of civic authority is bad in principle and practice. The Mayor and the Council regard with jealousy the activity of various agencies in the city streets, and they wish for an undivided control. Not that this forward policy in municipal affairs is altogether sentimental. The Mayor and his advisers have reasons manifold for the conviction that the wheel traffic should be managed by them. How acceptable, the report of the Town Clerk naively remarked, would be the sum raised by the Commission. With that £4000 or £5000 much might be done for the improvement of the streets. Not only so, but at the Town Hall they are grieved to see something like £600 spent annually in office rent, fees, and sundries, which the Municipal Council would save. And further, there is an item in the city accounts for wages of men employed by the City Council to regulate private vehicular traffic in the main streets. It is to be supposed that the amalgamation of the Commission and the Council would save this sum to the citizens. All this is excellent. Economy is a praiseworthy object, and to find the City Council eagerly desirous of saving is evidence of a frame of mind not conspicuously displayed in past years, though now somewhat more habitual.

When the deputation is received we shall, no doubt, hear the case for the Transit Commission, which has borne many attacks in silence. In the absence of that defence it may be confessed that there appear vulnerable places in the work of the board. It accumulated funds, and until an agitation was raised to get something for the cabmen—shelter-sheds and some such conveniences—it did little with its funds except bank them and draw interest. The reduction of license-fees has been strongly urged in view of depression, but with little success. Complaint is rife about the management of the traffic, about loitering or touting cabs, overladen and badly-horsed 'buses, vehicles that with their faulty construction add to the nerve-destroying noises of the streets, or vehicles that have seen enough service. It must, too, be apparent that a great deal of the revenue raised from none too flourishing men goes in fees, office expenses, and salaries, and little in any form of permanent improvement. That much should be spent in wages is inseparable from the nature of the work to be done, and to be sure even the whole revenue of the Commission would not do much for any one street of the metropolis.

On the other hand, would the work be better done by the City Council? In the first place, the suburban councils would certainly protest against the whole revenue of the public vehicles going to the Town Hall. They do not object to the Commission collecting license-fees from vehicles that ply through suburban streets, but they do not like it; and so soon as any alteration of the existing system is proposed they will be heard demanding their share of the revenue. And we may be sure that, once this question is raised in its completeness, a good many subsidiary considerations will press for decision. The community will be asked why, if public vehicles are required to submit to regulation and contribute to the maintenance of the streets, private vehicles should not return something for their use of the public thoroughfares. We shall also hear about the width of tires, and the restriction of heavy traffic to particular streets. Besides differing about revenue, the suburban councils might object to an extension of city jurisdiction. They are not tolerant of outside interference, even from one another, as we saw among the municipalities on the Illawarra line the other day; and they might make common cause against giving the City Council greater powers. There is, reverting to the general question, no absolute necessity for municipal control of the transit arrangements. In London the police manage the street traffic, and so efficiently that it is the admiration of every visitor. One thing is certain, that in our narrow tortuous streets, through a few of which trams, 'buses, cabs, and private vehicles pour incessantly, regulation must be insisted upon in the interest of safety and convenience. At present three sets of men may be seen working the traffic—the tram signalmen, the Transit Commissioners' officers, and the city officers. The City Council will have to show specific reasons for superseding the Transit Commission, and vague aspirations for municipal predominance and promises of economy will not justify Ministers in acceding to a request of this kind. But, whoever does the work, it will have to be done, and the probability is that the public will insist upon its being much better done.

Two important deputations, preferring large demands on the Government and the Legislature, waited on the Premier yesterday. That on behalf of the unemployed elicited an expression of opinion far from unsympathetic with the distress to which the resolution presented called attention. Also, it is satisfactory to see that Mr. REID was able to approve of the practical character of suggestions made. There is no doubt that the progress of the colony from day to day demands the construction of light railways to meet the wants of production and population, and that a good deal has yet to be done in the way of water conservation and irrigation. If employment on such works can be legitimately given to those who are now unemployed, and if in that way the distress can be relieved, the sooner something of the kind is done the better. But probably neither Mr. REID nor the gentlemen who introduced the deputation would be inclined to make "relief" employment on such works as these an alternative to sand-shifting. It ought to be distinctly understood that the work is not relief work, but a legitimate enterprise of the State, undertaken on business principles to meet a public want. Nor need it be argued that because in 1890-1-2 a sum of nearly 10 millions was expended in public works, this standard of expenditure should set the fashion to be followed. It is, of course, true enough that a sudden fall to the sum of $4\frac{1}{2}$ millions spent in the next triennial period meant a decline in the opportunities of employment, but that fall was due to a policy of retrenchment and to a desire to place expenditure on a lower footing. Much can be done in the way of providing employment and carrying out necessary public undertakings without going back on this principle or reviving the system of relief works, and the country has sufficient confidence in Mr. REID to believe in his policy of deeds and not words. His reply to the second deputation, which came with a chimerical project for the nationalisation of the coal mines, was part of this policy of practicalness in politics.

The proceedings of the Presbyterian General Assembly were considerably enlivened during the debate on the Gothenburg system by the recital of the personal experiences of some of the members. One gentleman found the teetotallers a "terribly crabbed, cranky, and miserable" set of people, who forbade him to smoke or wink, and who instead of ten commandments had ten thousand. It is not altogether certain that these zealots do not really do as much harm as good to their cause. Dr. GEIKIE, too, had something to say about the intemperance of some temperance folk; and was it not also the doctor who had a little tale to tell, amid the sympathetic smiles of the Assembly, about his experiences in the hotel of "a person who professed to be a Presbyterian"? With expert evidence such as this before it the Assembly could hardly help giving credence to the statement that the non-temperance people are "poisoned, not by the drink, but by the poisons that went by the name of liquor." This is a timely complaint. The mere layman has been saying something to the same effect for some time past, and has even been met by the reply that it is good for him to be poisoned in this way if the effect of the poisoning process is to discourage him from consuming any intoxicating liquors at all. But now that the vendors of these drugs are no longer respecters of persons, having begun to attack the clergy with their insidious potions as well, the layman will have a powerful ally with him in his outcry. If the General Assembly, or any other body, can succeed in improving the quality of the malt and spirituous refreshments sold both in town and country, it will certainly do much to lessen the evil results of the evil practice of intemperance. It is intended to approach the Legislature in favour of the Gothenburg system, though one of the speakers during the discussion expressed the opinion that the New South Wales Legislature was not exactly the body to which he would go with a scheme to put down drunkenness. That step may be useless, as he seemed to suggest; but not so, let us hope, the experiences of the members of the Presbyterian Assembly.

TELEGRAPHIC INTERRUPTION.—The Postmaster-General yesterday received the following advice from the Postmaster-General, Adelaide:—"Communication has been interrupted on the Port Darwin line, north of Powell's Creek, since 6 p.m. Parties will start inspecting at 6.30 a.m."

VICE-REGAL NEWS.—Invitations are to be issued by his Excellency the Governor for balls at Government House on 9th April and 14th April.

FAREWELL MESSAGE FROM GENERAL HUTTON.—The Premier has received a farewell telegram from Major-General Hutton at Adelaide.

VISIT OF THE PREMIER TO THE NORTH.—Mr. G. H. Reid intends to deliver an address to the miners at Hillgrove next Monday night. On Tuesday he will open the Armidale show, on Wednesday he will return, and on Thursday he has promised to open the Penrith show.

MINISTERIAL VISIT TO MOSMAN.—The Minister for Lands (the Hon. J. H. Carruthers), accompanied by Mr. Dugald Thomson, M.L.A., member for the district, visited Mosman yesterday for the purpose of inspecting the reservations along the foreshores of the bay, and the settlement of matters connected therewith. The Minister, who travelled from Sydney in the Government launch, arrived at the Mosman jetty soon after 3 p.m., where he was met by the Mayor of Mosman (Alderman P. T. Taylor) and Aldermen Cowles, Bladen, Noble, and R. Harnett. There are several questions in connection with these reservations requiring settlement, questions in which the council is deeply interested, as until some arrangements with the owners of private lands adjacent to the reservations are arrived at works of public importance will be retarded—notably the intended and long-required reclamation at the head of the bay, which at present is a menace to the health of those residing in the district.

THE QUESTION OF OLD AGE PENSIONS.—A deputation was introduced to the Mayor yesterday by Alderman Waine, to ask him to convene a public meeting at an early date for the purpose of advocating the principle of granting pensions to the old-aged and infirm. There were present—The Rev. F. B. Boyce, Dr. Roseby, Messrs. J. A. Dobbie, J. C. Neild, M.L.A., U. W. Carpenter, and T. Houghton. The deputation pointed out that the present system of sending destitute persons to asylums was often cruel, as the husband had to be separated from the wife, and the system was generally objectionable. However well-regulated the asylum might be, it was not the most humane way of dealing with those whose age rendered them unable to earn a livelihood. In Europe as well as Tasmania, South Australia, and New Zealand the matter was receiving consideration. The question was not a political one, and they appealed to the Mayor to assist them on strictly humanitarian grounds. In reply the Mayor said the members of the deputation had not told him in what way the old-age pension system was to be put into force, and probably the best way to give effect to the idea would be to establish cottage homes for the destitute. As far as the system of pensions was concerned, he was opposed to it; but he would give the request of the deputation further consideration, and let them have a definite reply later.

THE PROPOSED ROOKWOOD ASYLUM.—The Public Works Committee met yesterday to further consider the report to be submitted to the Assembly in connection with the proposed erection of buildings at Rookwood for the infirm and destitute. The report was almost completed when the committee adjourned.

THE PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD.—The Public Service Board has been inspecting the military secretary's branch of the Colonial Secretary's Department. A summary of the new code of general regulations for the Public Service framed by the Public Service Board, and approved by the Executive on Tuesday last, appears in another part of the paper.

THE CABLE TRAM [illegible] SYSTEM.—The system of cash fares introduced by the Railway Commissioners on the cable tramways is the source of a good deal of complaint amongst the men. The chief grievance is that they have to make good all shortages shown by the check tickets to exist in their cash returns, though these shortages may, as they allege, in some instances be due to no fault of the conductors.

THE DISEASED MEAT CASES.—In connection with the diseased meat cases we are informed that in none of these cases where nominal penalties were inflicted has any recommendation been made to the Governor for remission, nor in any case has any recommendation been made to remit costs or professional costs where awarded by the Court.

CONDITIONAL PURCHASERS AND THE PREPARATION OF TAXATION RETURNS.—With a view to simplifying the work of free selectors in regard to the preparation of taxation returns, it has been decided to request selectors to state the value of their conditionally-purchased lands in the return in precisely the same manner as if such lands were freehold or held in fee simple. The owners of lands held from the Crown under conditional purchase or system of deferred payments need not state the balances due to the Crown. The desired information will be obtained by the Taxation Office from the Treasury, and the necessary deductions made in respect thereof.

LANDS OFFICE DAY.—Homestead selections were applied for yesterday as follows:—At Armidale, 2 blocks, comprising $67\frac{1}{2}$ acres; at Wagga Wagga, 2 blocks, comprising 848 acres; at Gosford, 3 blocks, comprising $821\frac{1}{4}$ acres; at Gundagai, 1 block, comprising $335\frac{1}{4}$ acres; at Eden, 3 blocks, comprising $219\frac{3}{4}$ acres; at Kempsey, 1 block, comprising $230\frac{1}{4}$ acres; at Campbelltown, 2 blocks, comprising $41\frac{1}{2}$ acres; at Walcha, 4 blocks, comprising $991\frac{1}{2}$ acres. At Hay 4 settlement leases, comprising $12,253\frac{1}{4}$ acres, were applied for; and 5270 acres were taken up as conditional purchases and conditional leases in various parts of the colony. For the day the total number of homestead selections applied for was 18, comprising $3530\frac{1}{4}$ acres; and settlement leases 4, comprising $12,253\frac{1}{4}$ acres. As 503 homestead selections containing $135,243\frac{1}{4}$ acres, 160 settlement leases containing 429,700 acres, and 58 improvement leases containing 634,165 acres had been previously applied for or purchased at auction, the grand total of holdings under the Crown Lands Act of 1895 to date is 713, embracing an area of $1,214,921\frac{1}{4}$ acres.

ISLAND NEWS.—The steamer Archer, belonging to Messrs. Henderson and Macfarlane's Circular Saw line, returned to Sydney yesterday, after a three months' cruise in the Marshall, Gilbert, Ellice, and other islands. The voyage was a successful one, a good number of passengers being carried from island to island. The steamer returned with a cargo of copra and a full complement of passengers. Dr. Irmer, the Governor of the Marshall Islands, arrived by the Archer. The steamer brings word that a cutter, name unknown, drove ashore at Bouganville, also that a chief who had the credit of having killed three white traders in the Solomon Group, was killed and eaten during a marauding expedition from the bushmen to the coast. The German man-of-war Mowe is still surveying on the New Guinea coast. The death of Captain Henty, an old island trader, is reported at Nonuiti; also the death of two members of the Catholic Mission party, Bro. Justina and Bro. Emeille. Captain Kustel, of Tarawa, met with an accident on 28th December, losing his right hand by a charge of dynamite whilst shooting fish. He was progressing favourably when the Archer called.

ENGLISH MAILS.—The English mails per R.M.S. Valetta, dated London, 7th February, will be due here to-morrow in time for delivery at about 2 p.m.

LEGAL VERBIAGE.—To the lay mind the necessity for reading dry and technical pleadings to jurors before opening a case appears not only to be a waste of time, but to have the effect of placing the matter at issue in an atmosphere of legal fog, from which ordinary jurymen find it somewhat difficult to escape. Yesterday, in a case in one of the courts, the simple question was whether the plaintiff was entitled to recover on a contract, and his counsel, after reading a fairly long declaration, recited a number of pleas which were as dry and technical as could well be imagined. After this, the legal gentleman favoured the jurors with an expansive smile, and suavely remarked, "I don't suppose you understand much about this case from the pleadings." "I'm sure I don't," remarked the foreman; "it's as great a puzzle as the income tax returns." Even the learned Judge smiled at this blunt criticism of legal jargon, and counsel then proceeded to sweep away the cobwebs with which he had been compelled by ancient rule of procedure to surround the issue, and told the jury exactly what they had to try.

BREACH OF PROMISE CASE.—An action for breach of promise of marriage was heard in the No. 2 Jury Court yesterday, before Mr. Justice Stephen and jury; but as the defendant did not appear, the question was only one for assessment of damages. The plaintiff, Georgina May Rose, sued Daniel James Grant, a carter, and stated in her evidence that at the time the became engaged to the defendant she kept a fruit and confectionery shop in one of the suburbs, but that as he objected to her keeping a shop, she retired from business and lived with her sister. The marriage was fixed for January, and defendant arranged to call for plaintiff on New Year's Day to go for a drive. The day arrived, but not the defendant; and plaintiff, after vainly writing to him for an explanation, and making abortive attempts to see him, placed the matter in the hands of a solicitor. The jury assessed the damages at £100.

FOOD PRESERVATIVES.—The Board of Health has lately been looking into the growing use of antiseptic substances in articles of food and drink, and it has ascertained that large quantities of materials are being used to prevent fermentation and decomposition of food stuffs such as beer, fruit-syrups, milk, meat, and sausages. The extent to which the practice has grown may be judged by the fact that it has been reported that a ton of preservative acid is on its way to the colony for use in the preservation of beer.

ANALYSIS OF PATENT MEDICINES.—The attention of the Board of Health has for some time past been directed to the growing use of patent and proprietary medicines; in regard to some of which it may be said that they do not do much harm but in regard to many of which the president of the Board says, they certainly do. The Government Analyst is at present engaged in analysing a selection of these medicines with a view to some restriction being placed on those that are proved to contain noxious ingredients in dangerous quantities.

PRESENTATION TO MR. S. M. CAY.—Mr. S. M. Cay, late manager of Allt's Brewing and Wine and Spirit Company, Limited, was on Wednesday last, at the offices, Charlotte-place, presented with a handsome marble clock by the directors and staff of the company as a mark of their appreciation and esteem during his term of office. The presentation was made by Mr. A. Forsyth, the chairman of the board of directors.

AN AUSTRALIAN COAT-OF-ARMS.—There was an exhibition last night at the meeting of the Australian Federation League, Australia Hotel, of a piece of metal work representing the Australian coat-of-arms of the seven colonies, each being drawn from verified official particulars. Surrounding the frame are specimens of Australian fauna. The design is original and imposing.

THE PRESBYTERIAN GENERAL ASSEMBLY.—The Presbyterian General Assembly brought its sittings to a conclusion yesterday, after a term of nine days. A Commission of Assembly was granted for July of this year and for January of next year, to consider various matters, and then another long discussion ensued on the temperance question raised by the report of the temperance committee. The first part of the deliverance on the report, which was taken exception to, was that affirming that total abstinence was the basis of the work of temperance. It was argued that a man could be temperate without being a total abstainer, and consequently after some discussion, which at times was heated, the street agreed to accept total abstinence as the basis of the committee's work. A proposal to omit the words "without compensation" from the clause affirming the principle of "local option without compensation" was lost by one vote, and then after another lengthy discussion it was agreed to send a deputation to the Minister for Education on the subject. Before lunch it appeared as if the total abstinence party would be defeated, but afterwards they rallied their forces, and gaining over some by concession on the point of making abstinence the basis of the committee's work and not of all temperance work, they were enabled to carry their proposals. A closing address was delivered by the Moderator, and the next sitting having been fixed for the Tuesday after the first Sunday in May, the Assembly was dissolved.

REWARD FOR THE MISSING MAN WILLIS.—In connection with the missing man Willis, a supplement to the *Government Gazette* was issued yesterday offering a reward of £25 for information leading to his apprehension. In the event of his death the reward will be paid for information establishing proof of his death. A description of Willis is given.

PAWNBROKERS AND THE POLICE.—At the conclusion of a case of theft heard at the Water Police Court yesterday Detective Hoskisson drew the attention of the presiding magistrate, Mr. Addison, S.M., to the apathy of certain pawnbrokers in notifying the police that they had in their possession articles that had been stolen and were being inquired after. Mr. Addison said there were good pawnbrokers who did assist the police in such matters, and then again there were pawnbrokers who by their negligence obstructed the police. When they [illegible] applied for a renewal of [illegible] question for the Bench to consider would be the manner of dealing with those applicants who [illegible] the police.

[illegible] THIEVES.—Constable Houston last night [illegible] a couple of well-known pickpockets in the vestibule of the Standard Theatre, but when they recognised he was alongside them they suddenly disappeared. On the floor where they had been standing the constable found four purses containing different amounts of money.

A SCHOOLBOY INJURED.—A schoolboy named Oscar Clare, residing at 204 Underwood-street, Paddington, was run over by a mail cart yesterday. Clare was conveyed to the Sydney Hospital, when it was found that he had sustained a compound fracture of one knee.

AN ALLEGED STABBING AFFRAY.—A man named Augustus Crane was taken to the Sydney Hospital yesterday suffering from a number of wounds on the arms, said to have been inflicted with a knife. A rag-collector was charged at the Water Police Court during the afternoon with having maliciously wounded Augustus Crane. The accused was remanded until Monday.

DEATH FROM LOCKJAW.—An inquest was held at St. Vincent's Hospital yesterday, before the City Coroner (Mr. J. C. Woore), on the body of James Mitchell, who died at an early hour yesterday morning. A verdict was returned that deceased died from lockjaw consequent upon injuries received to the thigh, but there was no evidence to show how the injuries were inflicted.

THE RAILWAY COMMISSIONERS announce the usual Saturday excursion to the Hawkesbury River in connection with the steamer General Gordon, in addition to which another fishing excursion to Cowan Creek will take place on Tuesday next.

THE Newcastle and Hunter River Company announce that the steamship Newcastle will leave the Market-street wharf, to-morrow, Saturday, at 2 o'clock sharp, for the Hawkesbury Railway Bridge. Excursionists will be afforded another opportunity of enjoying a delightful ocean trip of about 20 miles; and after entering Broken Bay a view of about seven miles of river scenery is obtained.

MESSRS. Anthony Hordern and Sons' illustrated Fashion Book for the autumn and winter should delight the hearts of lady patrons of this large firm. Here are displayed all the latest delicate things in mantles, capes, blouses, and skirts, to say nothing of the many other articles that make up the mysteries of a lady's attire. The firm point out that the book possesses the distinct advantage that all the illustrations are made in London from actual stock ready to be sent out for the season's trade, so that customers in the country ordering from the plates will get exactly what they see in the picture, and not, as is sometimes the case, merely something similar.

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SPECIAL CABLES.

FROM THE *HERALD'S* LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.

ENGLAND, AUSTRIA, AND GERMANY.

ATTITUDE OF THE EMPEROR WILLIAM.

QUEEN VICTORIA'S VISIT TO THE CONTINENT.

INTERVIEW WITH THE EMPEROR OF AUSTRIA.

LONDON, MARCH 12.

Count Goluchowski, the Austrian Minister for Foreign Affairs, who is at present on a visit to Berlin, is urgently impressing upon the Emperor William the desirableness of becoming reconciled to England.

The Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria, who is visiting the Riviera for the benefit of his health, will have an interview with Queen Victoria, who is visiting the Continent, and is at present staying at the Hotel Cimiez, Nice.

THE EUROPEAN SITUATION.

INCREASE IN THE AUSTRIAN ARMY.

LONDON, MARCH 12.

Austria is planning a large increase in her army. The artillery forces are to be considerably strengthened.

THE SITUATION IN TURKEY.

DISTURBANCES IN ALBANIA.

LONDON, MARCH 11.

Disturbances have lately taken place in Albania, and the situation is becoming serious. At Berat and Janina the Turkish garrisons have been compelled to retire.

The Albanians expect that Montenegro will help them to throw off the Turkish

SOUTH AFRICA.

THE BORDER POLICE.

LONDON, MARCH 11.

Colonel Sir Richard E. R. Martin, K.C.M.G., British Consul in Swaziland, has been appointed commandant of the border police in Bechuanaland, Matabeleland, and Mashonaland.

THE AMEER OF AFGHANISTAN.

PRESENTS FOR THE BRITISH ROYAL FAMILY.

LONDON, MARCH 11.

The Ameer of Afghanistan has sent to the members of the British Royal Family presents to the value of £120,000 in return for their kindness to the Shazada (Nasrullah Khan), the Ameer's second son, during his visit to England last year.

LONDON DOCK CHARGES.

LONDON, MARCH 11.

At a meeting of shipowners held to-day a resolution was carried declaring that they were unable to co-operate with the London and East India Docks joint committee with regard to the proposed alterations in the dock charges, but were willing to confer with the committee on the subject.

AFLOAT ON AN ICEFLOE.

TWO HUNDRED FISHERMEN ADRIFT.

LONDON, MARCH 12.

Two hundred fishermen of Finland were cast adrift on an icefloe which had become detached from the main ice-pack. Their lives were in peril for some time, but they were eventually rescued.

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

SALE OF ADVOWSONS.

LONDON, MARCH 11.

In the House of Commons this evening a bill, introduced by Viscount Cranborne (eldest son of the Marquis of Salisbury), Conservative M.P. for Rochester, for preventing the sale of advowsons in the Church of England, was read the second time.

The bill makes the patrons of the benefices trustees for the parishioners.

THE LEBAUDY SCANDAL.

CHARGES OF BLACKMAILING.

LONDON, MARCH 12.

Seven journalists are being tried in Paris for blackmailing in connection with the Lebaudy case.

The case arises out of the affairs of the late Max Lebaudy, a Paris millionaire who died whilst serving his term as a conscript.

At the trial remarkable revelations have been made of a plot to induce Lebaudy to desert.

THE LATE TEST MATCH.

OPINIONS OF THE *PALL MALL GAZETTE.*

LONDON, MARCH 12.

The *Pall Mall Gazette*, in commenting on the late match played at Sydney between the Australian Eleven and the Test Team says that the play throughout indicates evenness but not brilliance.

It says that the selection of Hill as a member of the Australian Eleven is popular in English cricketing circles.

LONDON WOOL SALES.

LONDON, MARCH 11.

At the wool sales to-day prices were extremely firm. Medium merinos are hardening.

PASTORAL INTELLIGENCE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MOUNT VICTORIA, Thursday.

About 1000 sheep passed by road this afternoon to F. D. Durack's Mountain Home station, Fish River, from Riverstone.

INCOME TAX on an income of £356 is £3 18s. Say a man smokes four 6d cigars weekly, cost 2s. Four Dixson's Bananas only cost 6d, saving 18d, or £3 18s per annum. Bananas are choicest Havana with part American.—[ADVT.]

SPECIAL CABLES.

FROM THE *HERALD'S* LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.

THE WAR IN ABYSSINIA.

LONDON, MARCH 11.

Fourteen hundred of the survivors of the Italian garrison at Adowa have reached Asmara.

DR. MARANO'S VIEWS ON THE WAR.

For the purpose of obtaining some information as to the feelings of the Italian community resident in Sydney with regard to the war now being waged against Abyssinia by their mother land, a *Herald* reporter called last evening upon Dr. V. Marano, the Consul for Italy. Dr. Marano at once stated his willingness to give all the information at his command, and added that he was only too glad to do so, as he had found that many people had received wrong impressions with regard to the nature of the struggle, the policy of the Italian Government, the capabilities of the Italian commanders and their troops, and the character of the people (the Shoans and Dervishes) with whom they were now in conflict.

The Doctor said:—"Now, first of all, in answer to your question as to the feeling of the Italians in Sydney, I must tell you that it is similar to that which prevails in Italy. It is that the honour of the Italian arms must be retrieved, and after that it will be for the Government to consider what is best to be done—whether our forces should retire altogether from Abyssinia, or should continue to hold what they have already gained. Our Government desired to extend its commerce in that direction, and to this end found it necessary to free the country of those perpetual robbers, the Shoans and the Dervishes. But on having taken steps in this direction we had experiences exactly similar to those which British troops have time and again had to face. When we had done all we wished to do and reached the point from which we deemed we could satisfactorily protect our commerce we were assailed almost on all hands by these people. Our troops had to erect a line of fortresses—in fact we have been obliged against our will to go farther than we ever intended to go. All these riots that have taken place in Italy are but the outcome, I am sure, of socialistic tendencies—especially as the socialists in Italy are very bitter against Signor Crispi. But the latest published cablegrams show that the Italian people are coming down; I mean they have arrived at the same conclusions that we Italians here in Australia have come to, viz., that the war should be prosecuted until a definite and satisfactory settlement has taken place. Of course this in a sense is only a surmise, but I am pretty sure it is not far wrong from what I know of the circumstances of the case generally. Now, I can tell you that General Baratieri has really proved himself to be a commander deserving the confidence of his country, and I think we should reserve judgment with regard to his defeat until we understand all the circumstances. As to the fighting qualities of the Italians, I shall quote you the instance of the disaster of Amba-Alagi, which occurred on the 7th December last. Major Toselli, who was in command of 1200 men—nearly all, with the exception of the officers, black allies—engaged 25,000 Shoans, who were commanded by five Ras, or head chiefs. The battle lasted six hours, and at length numbers prevailed. Toselli was defeated. He lost 800 men, including 17 commissioned and 40 non-commissioned officers. The remnant of the battalion was collected and succeeded in effecting a junction with the other troops at Macallè. There is another misconception in the public mind with regard to the number of Italian troops now in Abyssinia. On 26th December, 1895, considerable reinforcements arrived at Massowa, and then the total number of troops available for the Governor (General Baratieri), including of course the black allies, was between 28,000 and 29,000, and these men had to hold an immense area of hostile country against a foe which numbers at the least between 80,000 and 90,000 well-trained and equipped fighting men. It has been said, I know, that these Abyssinians cannot fight and are indifferently armed, but that is not the case. They have been trained by European officers, and are exceedingly well provided for in the matter of arms. I do not give you my own word for this, but that of a Swedish gentleman, M. Gaston Vanderheym, who, writing in the last number of the *Tour du Monde*, says that, from his own observations, the Shoans are well armed with Vetterli, Gras, Remington, Martini-Henry, and some other rifles of Russian make; while the chiefs and principal men have rifles of the Colt-Winchester pattern. Moreover, King Menelek possesses 40 Hotchkiss Q.F. mountain guns, and the gunners are so well trained that up to 1000 yards, at all events, they make excellent practice. Every year, at their principal religious festival, gunnery practice is placed on their sports programme as a leading feature, and Menelek himself not only takes part in it but is regarded as a good artilleryman or gunner. So you can see that these people are no contemptible enemies. Here," the Doctor added, "you can see something of the country our troops have had to fight over. Does it not resemble Majuba Hill?"

It certainly did. It was a woodcut representing the engagement that the Consul had spoken of, in which Major Toselli was defeated. The features of the landscape in some respects more nearly resembled Northern India than Equatorial Africa, but there were shown some remarkable basaltic outcrops in the form of isolated hillocks with rifts and chasms between, which, if the drawing was true to nature, would certainly suggest that strangers to such country would have but a poor chance against armed men who were well acquainted with it.

QUEENSLAND.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

BRISBANE, Thursday.

A Clermont telegram states that a plague of caterpillars is infesting the district. The selectors are much concerned about the pest.

It has been decided to appoint the Hon. C. G. H. A. Corri, Assistant Clerk of the Legislative Council, to the position of Clerk-assistant of the Assembly, rendered vacant by the death of Mr. Ivory. Mr. Corri's office in the Council will be filled by Mr. C. W. Costin, present Clerk of the Assembly.

At an enthusiastic meeting of Australian natives it was decided to support the candidature of Messrs. [illegible] and Kingsbury for Brisbane.

Mr. George Herbert has retired from the contest for Brisbane. Mr. G. [illegible] Davies has also retired from the Carrington electorate. Mr. A. Gordon will be the Ministerial candidate.

TO-DAY.

Sydney Cricket Ground: Public Schools' Cricket Match between Teams Chosen from the Public Schools of New South Wales. Match starts 2 p.m.

The Church [illegible]: Meeting of Clergy, Churchwardens, and other friends, Chapter House, 4 p.m.

Fire Brigades' [illegible] [illegible]

Wesleyan Conference, Centenary Hall, York-street: Representative Session at [illegible] p.m.

Highland Society [illegible], Manchester Unity Hall, Castlereagh-street: Lecture by the Rev. John Reid, M.A., 8 p.m.

[illegible] Pigeon Competition: N.S.W. Gun Club's Grounds, [illegible]

No. 3, [illegible] St. Matthias Hall, Paddington, 8 p.m.

Brighton [illegible] Club: Pony and Galloway Meeting. Ordinary trains from Redfern at [illegible] p.m., 1.0 p.m., 2.10 p.m., 2.25 p.m. [illegible] at 1.55 p.m.

Lot's Wife, Amphitrite, Nana: 584 George-street.

Cogill Brothers' Variety Entertainment: Opera House, [illegible]-street, 8 p.m.

Lyceum Theatre: "Mme. [illegible]," 7.45 p.m.

Cyclorama, "Jerusalem," opposite Redfern Railway Station: Open 10 a.m. till 5.30 p.m., and from 7 till 10 p.m.

Tivoli Theatre: Minstrel and Specialty Company, 8 p.m.

Theatre Royal: "The Lancashire Lass," 7.45 p.m.

Her Majesty's Theatre: "Monte Cristo," 7.45 p.m.

Criterion Theatre: "Wanted a Wife," 8 p.m.

WE are requested to state that the Moderator of the Presbyterian General Assembly (the Rev. A. M. Tait) was present at the Mayor's luncheon on Tuesday.

AT the monthly meeting of the trustees of the Free Public Library the following statement was submitted to the board:—For February books were taken out from the lending branch classified as under:—Natural philosophy, science, and the arts, 780; history, 715; biography, 621; geography, voyages, and travels, 1116; jurisprudence, 115; mental and moral philosophy, 253; poetry and the drama, 181; prose fiction, 2107; miscellaneous, 1180; total, 7298. For the period from the 1st January to 29th February, 1896:—Number of tickets issued, 3371. Total issues to country libraries, 13 boxes containing 1114 volumes. Leading branch, number of visits, 12,469; reference library, number of visits, 26,311; newspaper room, number of visits, 23,731; total for two months, 62,511.

VICTORIA.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

THE MILDURA IRRIGATION TRUST.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The commissioners of the Mildura Irrigation Trust, when first elected, decided that their remuneration should be at the rate of £250 per annum, divided according to attendances. This resolution was forwarded to the Governor-in-Council, whose sanction was necessary under the provisions of the Act. A reply was received this week suggesting that the commissioners should waive all claim for fees for the present. The commissioners' action in voting themselves these fees is very severely criticised; but a number of settlers and others maintain that a great amount of work is necessary to get the trust started on a good basis, and that the commissioners should be paid enough to make it worth their while to attend the meetings and give their attention to the business, which means the loss of a full day each meeting to any who live outside the town, as the majority do.

CITY OF MELBOURNE BANK.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The examination into the affairs of the City of Melbourne Bank (in liquidation), authorised by direction of a Judge of the Supreme Court, was continued in the Insolvency Court to-day before Judge Molesworth, who sat as a special commissioner. The examination was commenced on Monday, when Mr. Thomas Loader, chairman of the directors, was put into the witness-box. His examination, which was a searching one, was not concluded until this afternoon, having extended over 17 hours. Mr. Johnston, who appeared on behalf of the liquidators and conducted the examination, sought to show that the management of the affairs of the bank had been unsatisfactory, and that the facts and figures made public from time to time were so incomplete as to be inaccurate and misleading. Mr. Loader himself was constrained to admit while in the witness-box that the management of the bank's affairs was not what it should have been. Upon the conclusion of Mr. Loader's examination James Williamson, a director of the bank, was called. His examination will be continued to-morrow.

GENERAL MANAGER FOR THE RAILWAYS.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

At a meeting of the Cabinet to-night it was decided to advertise in England and Australia for a general manager of railways, to work under the provisions of the Railway Act recently passed by Parliament. Applications are to be sent in within one month. Those received in Australia will be laid aside until the English applications, if any, come to hand, so that all may be considered together at about the end of May.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The police received a telegram to-day from Adelaide reporting the arrest of a man named William Harrison, who is wanted here to answer a charge of the theft of £921 worth of securities from his mother. Harrison and a maid servant employed by his mother left the house together.

At a meeting of depositors and shareholders of the Planet Permanent Building Society held to-day the new scheme of arrangement propounded by the directors was adopted. The scheme provides for the future management of the business of the society by the Fourth Victoria Building Society.

At the annual conference of the Australian Natives' Association to-day Mr. J. Hume Cook, M.L.A., was elected president for the ensuing year.

After another trying and sultry day a cool change set in at 5 p.m.

GOLDFIELDS OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

COOLGARDIE, March 10.

The White Feather Reward cleaned up 146oz. smelted gold from 179 tons, only crushing half-time, owing to the impossibility of getting screens for the mill. Numbers of mines are hung up at present for the same cause.

Preparations for the railway opening are proceeding apace. The committee in two days collected over £1000 for the purpose of defraying the expenses of decorating the town, &c. The Stock Exchange decided to take part in the festivities by entertaining the visitors at a special banquet.

The Government party boring at Forty-two Mile struck salt water at 140ft. As the tank is empty two condensers will be erected immediately in order to keep the road traffic supplied.

Several offers have recently been made to purchase the well-known New Victoria Consols Mine. The matter was considered by the directors yesterday, when they decided not to entertain any proposal of the sort until the Westralia Extended reef has been cut. A drive at the 80ft. level is being now put in for that purpose. It is rumoured that two subsidiary companies are to be floated by the Great Boulder Company, and it is said that one of the objects of Mr. Z. Lane's visit to London is to assist in the work of placing the property before the British public. The Great Boulder has an area of between 80 and 100 acres, so that the cutting up of the property was inevitable.

By Saturday the railway will be within seven miles of the town. It is expected that in a fortnight goods will be taken right on.

KALGOORLIE, March 10.

A 3ft. 6in. reef has been struck at a depth of 110ft. in Hannan's Victoria Cross, carrying fair gold all through. The stone is dark grey quartz, mixed with gossan, and showed little gold; but a mortar dish trial showed a great deal of fine gold. This is on the same reef as the Rose and Shamrock. Both are held in Adelaide. In the Shamrock the reef runs up to 8ft. in width. Mr. Callaghan, the American expert, pronounces the Great Boulder one of the greatest mines ever inspected by him. He is also very pleased with Hannan's Reward. The green lode which has been struck in the No. 1 North Croesus at the 100ft. level is very wide, but not so rich as in the Croesus proper. The lode continues to open up well. The main shaft at Hannan's Reward Proprietary mine is down 80ft. It is intended to crosscut for the lode at about 100ft. The Duke North, a promising mine at Broad Arrow, has been sold to a Fremantle syndicate.

KALGOORLIE, March 11.

A heavy thunderstorm occurred this afternoon; 25 points were registered. There are appearances of more.

ESPERANCE BAY, March 11.

At a meeting of carriers it was decided to reduce the rate of freight to £40 per ton. The carriers have decided to form a Carriers' Association.

The port is busy. Five steamers and two sailing vessels were here this week.

CUE, Wednesday.

Mining operations are quiet. Good results have been obtained from the mines in full working. The Golconda goldmine, at the island, cleaned up 655oz. from 350 tons; the tailings assayed 9dwt. to the ton. Another rich shoot has been struck in the West Australian Mine, Cudingwarra, equal to 100oz. to the ton. The Mainland East, adjoining the Mainland Consols, has struck a reef 5ft. 4in. wide at the 50ft. level. Specimens from the reef show gold freely. The South Light of Asia, at the other end of the Central lease, is taking out a crushing which is expected to go 2oz. to the ton. A big reef clearly goes through this property. There are numerous specks and leaders carrying rich gold.

THE PREMIER AND ADVANCE ENDOWMENTS.

MUNICIPAL CRITICISM.

Towards the end of last month the Five Dock Council in view of the serious condition of its finances resolved to ask the Premier to advance a portion of the endowment in order to assist it in tiding over its difficulties. At last night's meeting the following reply was received from the Under-Secretary for Finance and Trade, Mr. Kirkpatrick:—"With reference to your letter of the 28th ultimo, the receipt of which was acknowledged by me on the 3rd instant, the Hon. the Premier and Colonial Treasurer desires me to say that what your council ask has never been done, and that he must decline to form a precedent of the kind. Mr. Reid desires me to add that under the circumstances the proposed deputation is unnecessary."

Alderman Dowel said he desired to draw the council's attention to the reply the Premier had sent to the application for a certain amount of the endowment, that will be due very shortly, for the purpose of assisting them over their financial difficulties. The letter was about the biggest specimen of blow and check that could be made by the Premier of any country to any municipal council.

The Mayor called the speaker to order, and said that as the letter had been passed by the council it was no use discussing it any further.

Alderman Dowel said he would bring the matter on in another shape, and let the country know what Mr. Premier Reid was doing.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

THE EXPORT OF COLONIAL PRODUCE.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

The Minister for Agriculture (Dr. Cockburn) has been in communication with the Ministers holding a corresponding office in the other colonies with the view of arranging a conference between them to deal with matters relating to the export of produce. Mr. Taverner, of Victoria, and Mr. Sydney Smith, of New South Wales, have expressed themselves favourably towards the proposal, and the conference will probably be held in Adelaide at an early date.

THE ADELAIDE HOSPITAL.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

Last night the honorary medical staff of the Adelaide Hospital decided not to withdraw the resignations which they tendered to the recently-appointed hospital board, who thought the obstacle had been removed through the resignation of Dr. Hynes, who was appointed a member of the board. The doctors could not see their way to alter their decision while a disturbing element existed through the continuation in the service of Nurse Graham, who some time ago was dismissed and was reinstated by the Government.

INTERRUPTION ON THE OVERLAND LINE.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

Communication on the Port Darwin line has been interrupted beyond Powell's Creek since 6 p.m. Parties start inspecting at 6.30 a.m.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MR. VENN'S DISMISSAL.

PERTH, Thursday.

The dismissal of Mr. Venn, the Minister for Railways, continues to be the topic of conversation. Mr. Venn has replied to Sir John Forrest in a lengthy minute to be laid before the Cabinet. He has also sent him a letter in which he protests against receiving notification of his dismissal except under the Governor's own hand, and accuses the Premier of exhibiting indecent haste and hostility towards him. The Premier, in interviews on the subject, denied personal animosity, and says the course he adopted in notifying Mr. Venn of his dismissal was perfectly in accord with constitutional procedure. Sir John Forrest also says he used every endeavour to persuade Mr. Venn to resign, and even when the latter was down at Bunbury on Saturday he telegraphed him begging him to resign, to which Mr. Venn replied, "Death rather than dishonour." Several members of Parliament have been interviewed on the subject. Mr. Illingworth declares that the dismissal is a subterfuge of the Premier. Mr. Leak says he does not consider that the proper constitutional course was adopted.

PERTH, Thursday.

The total export of gold for February was 18,922oz., valued £68,104.

There is a considerable influx of people to Cue, people arriving at the rate of 350 weekly.

NEW ZEALAND.

[BY CABLE.]
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

AUCKLAND, Thursday.

The squadron, consisting of the Orlando, Wallaroo, Katoomba, and Ringarooma, arrived here to-day. They leave for Sydney next Wednesday.

THE AUSTRALIAN ELEVEN.

FURTHER COMPLICATIONS.

A DIFFICULTY WITH REGARD TO TURNER.

Donnan, M'Kibbin, Gregory, and Eady left by the express train for Melbourne yesterday afternoon. There was again a large number of spectators at the railway station, and they cheered the cricketers heartily as they left.

A difficulty, which it is hoped will not prove a serious one, has arisen with regard to Turner. He was not formally notified by Mr. Musgrove until Wednesday at noon that his services would be required, and Giffen wanted him to start for Melbourne that afternoon. Turner naturally required some time to arrange his business affairs here, and said he could not go away at once. Yesterday he received a telegram from Mr. Musgrove informing him that to secure his inclusion in the team he would have to go by the Cuzco, and Turner replied that it was doubtful if he would be able to do so.

Kelly will leave to-day.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ARRIVAL OF THE VICTORIAN CONTINGENT.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The contingent who have been playing in Sydney arrived this morning by the express, and were met at the station by a large gathering of cricket supporters. The changes made in the team were discussed in a conversational fashion, but nothing was done officially. The executive committee of the team will meet to-morrow to finally settle the *personnel* of the team. There appears to be a general understanding that Kelly, Turner, and Hill are safe to visit England.

INTERVIEW WITH MR. MUSGROVE.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

Mr. Musgrove, manager of the Australian Eleven, when interviewed, said:—"First of all I want it distinctly understood that the team wish in no way to run counter to the Cricket Council. For some time the leading members of the team had their doubts as to whether Harry's injured leg would stand the wear and tear of the tour. On Sunday last matters came to a head. A majority of the players felt that they were not strong enough, as originally composed, to face the English teams, and therefore they considered that some alteration should be made. Harry, of course, was the first considered on account of his injury, and after a long discussion, in which all his qualifications were carefully considered, it was felt that it would be unwise to run the risk of taking him home. The claims of three or four other players to be included in the team were also discussed, and eventually it was decided to ask Johns as well as Harry to stand out. We had a meeting, as you know, and Johns made a speech. Next day when Johns exhibited his hitherto unknown batting powers, it was decided to take him as well as Kelly. The Cricket Council are not taking any risk in the matter. They are not finding any of the money. The team are to risk all. Is it not natural, therefore, that they should want to see the very best men go? I don't say Harry is not good enough for the team, but there is a chance of his breakdown. Now, we do not want to run counter to the Cricket Council, and what we are doing will be approved by them. I was, as you know, appointed by the council, and was told by them to refer to Mr. Gibson for advice. I have done so. Mr. Gibson's representative in Sydney is Mr. Teece, who approves of the alteration. I feel sure the council can see only too plainly that it would have been madness to go away with a dissatisfied team. With all due respect to Dr. Fitzgerald's opinion as to the soundness of Harry's knee, I may say the team, one and all, feel doubtful on the subject. They know what a serious thing an injury to the knee is, and they decided with all the facts before them."

In reply to a question as to how the team seem to shape otherwise, Mr. Musgrove said, "Oh, they are all good friends, and as on this point about Harry they are on all others—that is to say, unanimous."

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

Speaking at a smoke concert tendered to-night to Harry Trott, Iredale delivered a speech commenting upon the changes in the personnel of the Australian Eleven. He sympathised deeply with Harry, but said that his going to England was out of the question.

Later.

At a meeting of the executive committee this evening it was decided to offer £75 to Harry as compensation for his exclusion from the team. This amount, Harry was informed, was the limit to which the executive was prepared to go. A definite answer is to be given to-morrow. Harry has consulted two leading barristers, who advise him that he has undoubted claims, and that an action against the team would lie. They, however, advise him to compromise, as it would be unpleasant for him to travel with a hostile team.

PRESENTATION TO MR. J. J. KELLY.

Mr. Kelly was entertained at Sinnott's Grand View Hotel, Paddington, last night, by the members of the Paddington Electorate Cricket Club and a number of friends. Mr. David Storey, M.L.A. (patron of the club), presided, and among those present were Messrs. J. C. Neild, M.L.A., T. Alcock, sen. (president), J. Portus, Dr. Barkas, F. Ironside, Alderman J. C. Waine, D. Hogan, W. C. Marshall, Alderman T. J. West, Alderman Whysall, Alderman Usher, J. C. Davis, A. C. Bannerman, A. C. Mackenzie, E. J. Kelly, E. J. Hogan, E. J. Briscoe, A. Harris (cyclist), T. Cummins, J. H. Howard, L. Jullan, W. Broadbent, M. A. Noble, P. Macnamara, H. Graham, F. M'Elhone, R. Bryce, N. J. Mackenzie, H. J. Noble, and many others.

The chairman, in making the presentation to Mr. Kelly, which took the form of a substantial purse of sovereigns, said the inclusion of Mr. Kelly in the team reflected credit not only on Paddington, but the whole of the colony. Mr. Kelly had shown himself a man of ability, and it was only a just tribute that he should be included in the eleven. The residents of Paddington wished him to act as spokesman in wishing God-speed to Mr. Kelly, as they were fully assured that he would uphold the honour of Australasian cricket on the playing fields of the old country. They admired Mr. Kelly's qualities not only as a cricketer, but as a private citizen, a father, and a man.

Mr. J. C. Neild, M.L.A., said that he had spoken at very few functions with such a vast amount of pleasure. Mr. Kelly had honourably and consistently won his position by his solid work. They had always said in the colonies that they had no wicketkeeper to come up to the Jack Blackham standard, but in New South Wales they had it now in J. J. Kelly. He wished Mr. Kelly every success on the English turf.

Mr. Kelly, in responding, thanked Mr. Portus for his kindness in bringing him over from Victoria. He went on to say that he and Johns had the most friendly relations and had played many times against and with each other in the sister colony. He was sure they would work amicably together, and he felt the trip for both of them would be full of pleasure. He thanked the residents of Paddington and the cricket club for their kindness to him.

STREET NOISES.

PROPOSALS TO COPE WITH THE NUISANCE.

THE ADOPTION OF INDIARUBBER TIRES.

The noises created by the street traffic appear to have increased in proportion to the growth of the city, and after complaints extending over years, deputations to municipal authorities, and voluminous correspondence in the press, have all failed to result in abolishing the evil, business people have come to regard the noises as an element of city life which we have always with us. They are accepted as inevitable. One merchant complains that while he is engaged with his accountant compiling or analysing figures—probably struggling to ascertain the amounts to be inserted in his income tax returns—a 'bus goes rattling along the street just beneath the window of his office, and it is impossible to retain the progress made with the mental sum—the figures have to be gone over again. But before the jarring sounds of the omnibus have died away in the distance another follows, and seems to draw after it a galloping cortège of other 'buses, meat vans, bakers' carts, and other ornaments of the vehicular traffic. The merchant groans, but he does not complain, as that has become useless. When you call upon him, and intimate that you represent a newspaper and are anxious to obtain his opinion of the noises created by the street traffic, not knowing the depth of his feelings upon the question, the merchant looks as if he interpreted the query as a taunt intended to wound him in the most vulnerable part of his nervous organisation. In the northern portion of Pitt-street—the centre of the commercial life of Sydney—business people declare that not only do street noises affect them physically by causing headaches or nervousness, but that they actually hamper the transaction of business in a serious manner; and a requisition which was recently drawn up in regard to the subject, and which was presented to the Transit Commission, was signed by all the principal stockbrokers, shipping agents, financial institutions, and other factors of the mercantile community. Even in the streets the noises are almost intolerable to pedestrians. When a noisy vehicle passes it is necessary to raise your voice into what vocalists call the upper register in order that your companion may hear the conversation. But probably the telephone operators at the Exchange suffer most by the nuisance. They complain that their work is seriously interfered with, particularly during the busy part of the day—about lunch time. The noise created by the operators themselves is as much as they can well manage to bear while engaged in the tedious work of receiving numbers by telephone from persons of all qualities of voice; but so far has the evil increased that now it is at times absolutely impossible to immediately hear the number desired. As the street pavements are more worn they cause the noise of the passing vehicles to increase, and eventually the postal authorities made a complaint to the Premier regarding the matter, and their communication was forwarded to the Mayor. It is still under consideration, for the council are unable, owing to woodblocking contracts that are now being carried out, to immediately commence on any fresh contract.

Yesterday Mr. P. B. Walker, Superintendent of Telegraphs, stated that he was compelled, owing to the interference with business, to complain to the Premier of the nuisance, and to ask that some action be taken to minimise the noises in the vicinity of the Telephone Exchange. "Since they have relaid George-street in front of the Post Office a great improvement has taken place so far as the noises affected these offices, but if some action is not taken with regard to lessening the noises in Pitt-street there will yet be mistakes made in the transmission of telephone messages."

The registrar of the Transit Commission yesterday stated that the board had taken no action with regard to the matter. It had been represented to the commission that the real remedy of the evil would be in the direction of altering the construction of vehicles, but this was a matter outside their power. It was, however, quite competent for the commission to refuse an application for a license to any driver whose vehicle might be considered to create noise in the streets, and in that way to compel licensees of 'buses and cabs to adopt particular descriptions of wheels, tires, and windows; but the Commissioners were reluctant to impose a condition upon owners of public vehicles which they would be powerless to apply to private conveyances. "Some time ago," Mr. Edward said, "the board consulted the 'Bus Company with reference to the noise made by the windows of 'buses. The manager of the company at that time expressed his willingness to provide any description of window that might be suggested; but the company's builder pointed out the impossibility of adopting any window that would be suitable for the traffic and noiseless at the same time. The windows produced no noise when they first left the factory, but after they had been wrenched about by the careless portion of the travelling public they become loose and rattle when the 'bus is in motion. Then the board consulted all the principal carriage-builders in the city with regard to the adoption of some axle that would be practically noiseless. Nearly all of them had different opinions upon the subject, but there seemed to be a preponderance of opinion that the plain nut axle was the best that could be used, being the safest and least noisy. It requires to be kept clean and oiled—a matter it is difficult to get drivers to attend to."

The City Surveyor (Mr. R. W. Richards) was also seen yesterday by a member of our staff with regard to the question. He stated that the system now adopted by the council of laying the wood blocks with close joints reduced the street noise to a minimum, and in other respects was equal to a sheet asphalium roadway when the best Australian hardwoods were employed. In the works already commenced by contract, Mr. Richards explained, "The Mayor has authorised me to experiment by spreading a thickness of sand on the concrete foundation, to act as a cushion for the blocks, with a view to further minimising the noise. This will be carried out shortly. While I admit that the wide-jointed pavement is one cause of noise, it is not the prime cause. The axles and wheels of the vehicles are so constructed that one would conclude they were primarily designed to create noise. If patent axles were employed no doubt the noises would be further diminished. Since complaints have appeared in the *Herald* with regard to this question, I, as City Surveyor, have been approached by several gentlemen with a view to inducing the council to lay a length of roadway with sheet asphaltum. I have advised these gentlemen, who represented different firms, to submit their proposals to the council in writing. This material is laid on roads in America that are not subjected to heavy and continual traffic. In the United States it is confined to residential streets, whilst in the business thoroughfares (in such as we lay our wood) the granite block pavement is used. It can easily be imagined that this pavement would produce a great noise. Although I am inclined to favour the use of asphalt, I think it can only be employed as a secondary material, its permanent adoption to depend upon a few seasons' experience. Its present initial cost also is at present too large. A proposal to supply asphalt three years ago stipulated a price of 24s 9d per square yard, including excavations, concrete foundations, and other costs up to the opening of traffic. The cost of our present excellent wood pavements varies from 15s to 17s 6d per square yard. Still, the firms I alluded to seemed disposed to do business, and I feel sure that the City Council will give any fair proposal their earnest consideration. In London one of the chief street traffic improvements that have recently been made is the attachment of indiarubber tires to all licensed cabs, and there are nearly 20,000 of them. Most of the better class of private vehicles are also supplied with these tires, and some of the 'buses have also been supplied with them. If rubber tires were employed in Sydney our close-jointed pavement would be absolutely noiseless. I may state that there is one licensed cab running in Sydney which is supplied with the rubber tire, and there is a firm of coachbuilders who already have vehicles supplied with the material. No doubt in the near future many of our vehicles will be supplied with the improved wheels."

The Mayor explained that it was impossible to undertake the repair of a number of streets in Sydney at one time, on account of the inconvenience that would be caused to the traffic; but, as soon as soon as some present works were completed he would consider the question of repairing Pitt-street, near the Post Office, so as to minimise the nuisance to the operators of the Telephone Exchange.

The result of these inquiries shows that the only proposal made for rendering the vehicular traffic practically noiseless is the adoption of the improved tires, the regulation in other respects of the construction of vehicles, and the extension of the system of close-jointed pavements.

THE ART SOCIETY OF N.S.W.

The monthly meeting of this society was held at the rooms, 70 Pitt-street, on Wednesday evening last. There were present:—The president, Sir J. P. Abbott, K.C.M.G., Mr. Lister (vice-president), Messrs. Kemp, Dalgarno, A. Collingridge, Piguenit, Coffey, Bennett, Birkenhead, Tindale, and Mrs. Stoddard. Applications were opened from artists for the position of instructor to succeed Mr. J. R. Ashton, and resulted in the election of Mr. Gordon Coutts, of Melbourne. Examples of Mr. Coutts's work were exhibited at the last two annual exhibitions of the Art Society, viz., "A Portrait of a Lady," 1891, and "Too Late," 1895—the subject of the latter, a priest holding the crucifix before the eyes of a dying lad. Mr. Coutts has also exhibited at the principal exhibitions in London and at the Royal Academy. He has just completed in Melbourne a canvas, 12ft. x 8½, of the Legislative Assembly, showing over 100 portraits, and also a large portrait of the late Prince Consort to order for the library of Parliament House.

COUNTRY NEWS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.)

CENTENARY OF ILLAWARRA.

WOLLONGONG, Thursday.

A large and an enthusiastic meeting was held last night, the Mayor presiding, for the purpose of considering the matter of celebrating the centenary of Illawarra, in accordance with a suggestion made some time ago by Mr. Archibald Campbell, M.L.A. Mr. A. Campbell moved a resolution to the effect that it was desirable that the event should be celebrated at Wollongong. In the course of his remarks he related the adventures of Flinders and Bass, who left Sydney on 25th March, 1796, in a boat 8ft. long, called the Tom Thumb, and on 26th March landed on the banks of the creek now known as Tom Thumb Lagoon, being the first white men to set foot on Illawarra soil. Mr. Campbell described the wonderful growth of the district, and dwelt on its present importance, contending that it was the duty of every resident to assist in celebrating this national event. It was eventually decided that the demonstration should take the form of a picnic and sports at the historic Tom Thumb Bowers, ending with a ball in the Town Hall. A strong committee was formed to carry out all necessary arrangements, and there is every probability that the movement will result in a great success. It was stated at the meeting that the Admiral of the Fleet had been written to, asking him to send one or two men-of-war on the occasion to anchor off the Tom Thumb, where there are ample depth of water and good anchorage.

CHARGE AGAINST A PRIEST.

MOREE, Thursday.

Patrick Joseph Macguinness, priest of St. Henry's Roman Catholic Church, East Moree, was charged at the police court this morning with unlawful assault on a boy 11 years old, named Oscar Coleman. Mr. Ziolkowski appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. Stirton for the defence. The evidence showed that the boy missed mass one Sunday in order to go fishing. Next Sunday after mass the priest held him by the arm and thrashed him with three saddle straps, with the buckle end on one of them. The defendant admitted giving the boy about 20 strokes, and that he had often thrashed him before. He admitted thrashing other boys with a double stirrup leather. The medical evidence was to the effect that the boy had 16 bruises on his body, arms, and legs in consequence. For the defence it was contended that the punishment was proper correction by a teacher. The Bench held that correction was not given as a teacher or with a proper instrument, but for missing mass. No clergyman had a right to arrogate to himself the duty of correcting any of his flock staying away from church. The defendant was fined £2 with costs, totalling £6 8s 10d; in default, four months' imprisonment.

SHOCK OF EARTHQUAKE.

COWRA, Thursday.

A shock of earthquake was felt at a quarter to 11 last night. The earth-tremor seemed to advance from the north-east, and to spend itself in the opposite quarter, lasting fully 10 seconds. During its continuance there were two distinct detonations, as from explosions underground. Light articles vibrated. Roofs and other woodwork of buildings were strained slightly with the passing oscillation, but no damage was done.

STRIKE OF MINERS.

BROKEN HILL, Thursday.

Ten men employed at the Pinnacles mine are out on strike consequent upon the discharge of one man. The manager declines to assign any reason for such discharge. The wages paid are the current rate—viz., 9s per day. The water charge is 3s per 100gal. The men are cautioning miners from accepting work whilst the strike is on, and the secretary of the A.M.A. also advertises to the same effect.

BOMBALA, Thursday.

The land board, consisting of Messrs. Betts (chairman), Newton, and Joseph, has just finished at Delegate and Bombala. It got through 68 cases. District Surveyor Sheaffe attended on behalf of the Minister.

BOURKE, Thursday.

A local branch of the labour bureau was opened on Monday last. Up to the present 40 applicants for employment have registered their names, but no business has been transacted yet.

The river report is as follows:—Yetman, 4ft., stationary; Bogabilla, 3ft. 3in., falling; Mungindi, 17ft. 3in., falling; Mogil, 15ft., stationary; Collarendabri, 18ft. 3in., falling; Walgett, Barwon, 27ft. 7in., rising; Namoi, 19ft. 6in., rising; Goodooga, 4ft. 11in., rising; Brewarrina, 12ft. 7in., rising; Bourke, 18ft. 9in., rising; Louth, 25ft. 2in., rising; Tilpa, 23ft. 3in., rising; Wilcannia, 23ft. 4½in., falling.

Grass and herbage are in abundance.

BROKEN HILL, Thursday.

The deputy-coroner, Mr. Hall, held an inquest this afternoon on the body of Frederick Rohn, who died yesterday morning in the hospital from the effects of an accident in Block 11 on 24th February. Mr. Edwards, solicitor, appeared for the proprietary, and Mr. Hebbard, mine inspector, watched the proceedings for the Mines Department. A verdict of accidental death was returned, no blame being attachable to anyone.

Typhoid fever is unusually prevalent in Broken Hill. Dr. Groves, the Government medical officer, is making a report to the Board of Health.

The weather continues sultry. The highest temperature to-day was 100° in the shade. There are indications of a change to-night.

COBAR, Thursday.

A man named Smith, working at Correlly's station, disappeared since 10 on Tuesday morning. The matter was reported to the police to-day. A constable and black tracker have been sent in search.

The Rev. Mr. Barrett, Wesleyan minister, has been removed to another parish, and Mr. Fox will replace him.

A meeting of the council was held this week with regard to lighting the town by electricity, estimated to cost £5000.

A public subscription has been started to repair the cemetery, which had been greatly damaged by the late rain.

COONABARABRAN, Thursday.

Mr. Fetherstonhaugh, who is leaving the district, was banqueted last night. A large number of ladies and gentlemen were present. Mr. John M'Master, jun., the chairman, proposed the health of the guest. Mrs. Fetherstonhaugh was presented with a tea service, and the recipient acknowledged the gift in a nice little speech.

COONAMBLE, Thursday.

Mr. Hugh MacDonald, M.L.A., addressed a public meeting last evening. The Mayor was in the chair and there was a good attendance. Mr. MacDonald referred to the proceedings of the late session, and said he still adhered to the platform of the labour party. He received a patient hearing.

The weather is dull and looks like another change. The district could scarcely look better.

COROWA, Thursday.

The Corowa Progress Committee to-day presented, at the School of Arts, the late president, Mr. Thomas Bray, J.P., with an address and a purse of 21 sovereigns in appreciation of his services during the 12 years of his presidency. The present chairman, Mr. F. Piggin, presided.

It is felt that the time for the completion of the land schedules should be extended for a month to enable owners to take particulars from land receipts issued during April.

The successful farmers at the recent ballots for homestead selections complain that uncertainty prevails regarding their rights, &c., as to the immediate use of blocks, because of the lessee's alleged prior rights. They also complain that too long a time elapses before their applications are dealt with by the land board, during which the occupation of the lands is at their own risk.

COWRA, Thursday.

A public meeting convened by the Mayor, who is unwell, was held last night, presided over by Alderman Mawby, to consider the desirability of forming a local volunteer company. A communication from the Government was read, whereupon the meeting decided to at once enrol names and to appoint a secretary and other officials.

DAPTO, Thursday.

The milk supply from here has increased in the last few days to an enormous extent, and all kinds of stock are putting on condition rapidly.

The contractor for the Illawarra Harbour and Land Corporation railway states that the line to the smelting works will be completed in about six weeks, in time to convey the machinery for the Smelting Company of Australia, which will be landed in Australia about that time, to the site secured by them on Lakelands.

At an extraordinary election in the municipality of Central Illawarra, to fill the place of Mr. Alderman Ronaldson, of No. 2 Ward, resigned, Mr. Isaac Brown was elected by a majority of 11 over Mr. T. J. Moran.

DENILIQUIN, Thursday.

The agent in Deniliquin for the Government Labour Bureau has already received several applications for employment.

Rain has been threatening for the past week, and is still threatening. The weather for the past week has been hot and sultry, the thermometer going as high as 105. A heavy fall of rain is much required. Almost everywhere the country is dry and parched. The outlook generally is not very encouraging to stock-owners, as lambing will soon commence. Slight rain fell this afternoon, and there is every appearance of more to-night.

Stock business still remains stagnant, as there is little or no stock moving in the district.

Early yesterday Mr. J. Chandler's extensive stores in Napier-street were burglariously entered. The till was found on the counter empty, but fortunately Mr. Chandler had only left a few shillings in it.

At the monthly meeting of the trustees of the Deniliquin Commons it was decided to apply for that portion of the temporary common between Aljoe's Creek and Mr. Braim's property to be made a permanent common. The Government had been asked to have the same land cut up and thrown open for homestead selections.

Wednesday next has been proclaimed a public holiday in Deniliquin, on the occasion of holding bicycle sports.

At the lands office to-day 1090 acres of land were applied for.

Messrs. J. Oddy and Son treated 11,531 sheep at their boiling-down works at Deniliquin for the month of February, making a total of 112,163 sheep treated in the past four months.

The monthly committee meeting of the new Pastoral and Agricultural Society of Deniliquin was held yesterday, when it was decided to hold the next show on the 23rd and 24th July next.

GOULBURN, Thursday.

A matriculation examination was held this week. Four candidates were examined.

Mr. John Walsh, secretary of the local fire brigade board, who is at present in Sydney, had an interview yesterday with the Colonial Secretary, Mr. Brunker, with regard to an amending Act in the direction of compelling insurance companies to pay their share towards maintaining the brigades. Mr. Brunker said it was intended to introduce a bill next session.

The stock inspector is of opinion that the disease amongst horses at Inverslochy is string halt in an acute form. Five animals have died, and others are affected.

The coursing club has been re-started under promising auspices.

GRAFTON, Thursday.

At the District Court to-day Albertina Eggins, daughter of a farmer at the junction, recovered £50 damages against John M'Pherson, Public school teacher at the Aborigines Home, near Grafton, for breach of promise of marriage. This is the first case of the kind heard at Grafton.

KEMPSEY, Thursday.

A number of gentlemen from the borough council, the agricultural society, and the progress committee have been elected a committee to carry out the arrangements for the visit of the Premier and Ministers in April.

During the month of February the following were the exports from this district:—Maize, 381 bags; bones, 8 bags; horns, 3 bags; turnips, 44 bags; onions, 36 bags; pumpkins, 69 bags; potatoes, 1191 bags; calves, 3; eggs, 63 cases; honey, 10 cases; fish, 16 cases; tallow, 6 casks; poultry, 56 coops; horses, 2; hides, 288; cream, 272 cans; butter, 65 kegs; pigs, 195; sundries, 230 packages.

KIAMA, Thursday.

At a meeting of the Kiama Borough Council today the annual estimate of income and expenditure for the current municipal year showed income £888, expenditure £756. A letter was to hand from the Acting Under-Secretary for Works stating that the preliminary inspection and report by the Government officer on the proposed water supply will cost about £20, but that the council will not be debited with the amount if after seeing the report the work be not proceeded with. The council will fall in with the suggestion of the Chief Secretary re a uniform system of keeping municipal accounts, and appointed the council clerk to attend a conference regarding this matter in Sydney on the 19th instant.

LISMORE, Thursday.

Numerous complaints are made that many of the taxation returns cannot be made within the prescribed period.

There are already 12 cases of committal to the Lismore Quarter Sessions from various parts of the district.

The entries in dairy cattle at the show indicate that it will be the largest show in this section ever held here.

LIVERPOOL, Thursday.

The late crops of corn and Planter's Friend in various parts of the district have been considerably benefited by the recent rains.

At the local police court to-day a resident of Smithfield was fined in all £2 18s 9d for giving insufficiently stamped receipts to a Chinaman. The prosecution was instituted by the police, and the Chinaman was represented by a Chinese interpreter.

The residents of Holdsworthy are about to take steps with a view to inducing the Government to establish the abattoirs at that place on a site a few miles from Liverpool.

The annual meeting of the Liverpool branch of the British and Foreign Bible Society was held in the Church of England schoolroom on Tuesday evening last. Mr. R. G. Bull presided. The following were appointed as the committee for the year:—President, Mrs. G. Murray; treasurer, Mrs. Maclie; secretary, Miss M'Neill; committee, Mesdames Evans, Sadleir, Cash, Miss Shearman, with the clergy of the town.

MOREE, Thursday.

A benevolent society was formed to-day. A committee of ladies was elected.

MOUNT VICTORIA, Thursday.

In the matter of the rival sites for the new post-office buildings the Government have decided upon accepting Mr. Wm. Beaumont's offer of the ground on the Western road, opposite Station-street. The buildings are to be completed in five months, and the successful tenderer is Mr. W. B. Chessell, of Ashfield, for £1239 19s. A saving of some £400 will be effected by the Government by utilising the new site.

A thunderstorm broke over Hampton, 10 miles from here, at 3 this afternoon.

MUDGEE, Thursday.

A slight shock of earthquake was experienced in the district at 10 o'clock last night. A faint rumble, lasting 15 seconds, accompanied a slight tremor.

An unusual sight can be seen at present in many parts of the district—apple, pear, and cherry trees blossoming freely. This is probably explained by the fact that there was no crop last year, owing to the blossoms being destroyed by frosts.

MURWILLUMBAH, Thursday.

Dr. Roderick M'Donald, who has practised here for nine years, left for Western Australia this morning. About 30 of the leading residents took leave of the doctor, and drank his health. The doctor, who is very popular, said he was not leaving owing to want of faith in the district, but because he wanted a change.

NEWCASTLE, Thursday.

An interesting case in connection with the alleged infringement of the Coal Mines Regulation Act was initiated this morning at the Plattsburg Courthouse, before Mr. Henry, P.M. Mr. W. Humble, inspector of collieries, prosecuted Alex. Ross, manager of the Wallsend colliery, for an alleged breach of the regulation respecting ventilation. Mr. Wilshire appeared on behalf of the Crown. A large amount of evidence was adduced, and it was eventually decided to hear arguments on both sides. The case was adjourned till Monday at 10 o'clock.

NOWRA, Thursday.

Mrs. John Robertson, of Old Ferry-wood, Green Hills, and one of the oldest residents of the district, died yesterday.

The Minister for Lands has informed Mr. Morton, M.L.A., that the Crown lands' bailiff has been instructed to report on the destruction of scrub on the Cambewarra Mountain-road.

The Jindiandy Dairy Company's Creamery during February treated 77,287 gallons milk for a yield of 33,005lb. butter, averaging 1lb. of butter to 23.41 gallons of milk. Suppliers received 11¼d for butter fat, or 4½d per gallon. The milk average test was 3.75.

NYNGAN, Thursday.

A special sitting of the Dubbo Land Board (Mr. W. C. Carlew, chairman, and Mr. H. Herrick) was held here this week for the purpose of making special inquiries respecting scrub lands in the West Bogan country. The Crown was represented by District-surveyor Smith. Most of the pastoralists affected attended and gave evidence to the effect that the country was overrun with scrub, principally pine and box seedlings and suckers. The box scrub was the most difficult to deal with. It was estimated that in many cases the cost to eradicate it would be 5s per acre.

PENRITH, Thursday.

The Luddenham show was continued yesterday in the presence of upwards of 1000. A large number of visitors came from the outlying districts. The principal events were warmly contested.

RICHMOND, Thursday.

Rev. Father Hanrahan has been transferred to Balmain, and his place here will be filled by Rev. Father O'Brien.

RYLSTONE, Thursday.

Mr. G. W. Hardwick and family had a narrow escape from being killed last night. As was his custom on Wednesday afternoons, Mr. Hardwick took his family out for a drive, and on returning towards Rylstone about dusk, and crossing a culvert just outside the town, the animal he was driving, a spirited one, shied, throwing Mr. and Mrs. Hardwick and two children over an embankment. Fortunately they were thrown clear of the hooded buggy, the shafts of which were smashed, the horse bolting with the harness. Mrs. Hardwick is suffering from shock and bruises. The other members of the family escaped with a few bruises.

ULMARRA, Thursday.

At a public meeting last night that was well attended by leading residents of Ulmarra and Southgate, it was decided to urge the Government, by petition, to establish a steam service on the Ulmarra-Southgate punt instead of hand-power as at present.

Another meeting was held to consider how best to receive the Governor on his visit to the Clarence. It was decided that the committee of the School of Arts assist the Mayor and aldermen in the welcome, and that the public be asked to subscribe towards the expenses. Committees were appointed to see this done. It is believed that the Governor will open the School of Arts bazaar.

The weather is fine, and the maize is coming in rapidly.

WAGGA, Thursday.

Extremely muggy and oppressive weather has prevailed for a week past, the thermometer ranging from 95° to 101° in the shade. There are indications of a change to-day.

At a meeting of the Benevolent Society Mrs. G. Coleman, the present hon. secretary, was elected president, vice Mrs. Hunter, resigned.

WALCHA, Thursday.

The first homestead selections in this district available, 964 acres, were taken up to-day. There were two ballots, H. Steir and J. Marshall being successful.

WEST MAITLAND, Thursday.

A few days ago the Mayor of West Maitland received a communication from the military authorities at Newcastle stating that an encampment of the Northern infantry forces would be held at West Maitland at Easter if the local borough council would undertake to stump the ground required for the operations. This was agreed to, but the work has not been commenced, as a communication has been received from headquarters conveying a doubt regarding the encampment.

A tender has been accepted for the erection of bridges to span Deep and Black Creeks, on the Cessnock-road.

WEST WYALONG, Thursday.

There was every appearance of an immediate fall of rain this morning, but the favourable indications have now disappeared.

WINDSOR, Thursday.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick has just returned from a tour through the greater part of the Rylstone electorate. Last Saturday he was met seven miles out of town by a large number of electors in vehicles and on horseback, and escorted to Wollar, where he was presented with an address by Mr. V. P. Myers on behalf of the residents.

AUSTRALIAN FEDERATION LEAGUE.

At a meeting of the Australian Federation League held last night at the Australia Hotel, Mr. John Young in the chair, it was decided that a central literary committee be formed, to which delegates be invited from the branches, with the object of obtaining literary contributions on the subject of federation and the dissemination of federal knowledge prior to the election of delegates to the Federal Convention. The following resolution was also carried:—"That the executive committee of the league be an electoral committee authorised to act on behalf of the league in all matters arising during the coming electoral campaign, with power to add to their number from the executive bodies of other federation leagues, and that it be an instruction to the electoral committee to co-operate as far as possible with the federation leagues of this and other bodies."

PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATIONS.

HOURS OF DUTY AND HOLIDAYS.

EXAMINATIONS OF POLICE MAGISTRATES.

LIFE ASSURANCES.

RETIREMENTS AND GRATUITIES.

TRAVELLING EXPENSES.

The new code of General Regulations under the Public Service Act of 1895, which have been framed by the Public Service Board, were approved at the meeting of the Executive held on Tuesday last, and, after confirmation at next Tuesday's meeting, they will be published in the *Government Gazette*. Special regulations dealing with various subjects have yet to be framed. The following is a summary of the general regulations:—

The first is the interpretation clause. Regulation 2 provides that all communications are to be addressed to "The Public Service Board," and not to any member thereof. Regulation 3 deals with returns to be furnished under section 7 of the Act. Appointments in special cases under section 30 of the Act are dealt with in the 4th regulation, which provides that if any Minister thinks it desirable in the interest of the public service to recommend the appointment of some person not in the service to the special, professional, or educational divisions, the permanent head is to report to the board, which is then to consider the matter and report to the Governor. Regulation 5 says:—"Whenever the permanent head shall find that the number of officers under his control is greater than is required to perform the current work of the department, he shall forthwith report the circumstance to the board."

Regulations 6 to 25 deal with hours of duty and leave of absence, holidays, &c. Regulation 6 says: "The hours of attendance to be observed by officers not subject to special regulations in that behalf, or not specially exempted by the board, or by the permanent head, shall be from 9 o'clock a.m. to 4.30 p.m., except on Saturdays, when the hours of attendance shall be from 9 o'clock a.m. to noon." Regulation 7 provides that "in each department to which the preceding regulation applies, three-quarters of an hour will be allowed daily to every officer for luncheon, at such time as the officer in charge or sub-charge may arrange, so as to prevent any interference with the transaction of public business." Provision is made in regulation 8 for attendance books, in which public servants are to enter the times of their arrival and departure from their office. Under the 9th regulation the attendance books are only to be accessible between 9 and 9.15 a.m., and after 4.30 p.m. Officers are to be in their offices at 9 a.m. The 10th regulation provides that an officer arriving after 9.15 a.m. has to report himself, and if a satisfactory explanation be not made, his conduct shall be brought under the notice of the permanent head.

Regulation 11 says:—"If an officer shall be found to be habitually irregular in the time of his arrival or departure, or to absent himself without leave during office hours, his conduct shall be reported to the permanent head." Under the 12th regulation officers of the special division are exempted from signing the attendance books. Regulation 13, dealing with overtime, says:—"Officers will be required to perform public duty beyond the usual hours whenever it may be necessary to bring up arrears of work. Only work which, from its character or from special circumstances, cannot be performed during the prescribed office hours, shall be regarded as overtime work, for which extra payment may be made. The right to, and the amount of, such extra payment shall be determined by the board, on the recommendation of the permanent head, after such work shall have been completed to the satisfaction of such head; but, before any such payment is sanctioned, the permanent head shall supply the board with such information as will satisfy it that such payment is fairly due; and, in every case where overtime is made, a full record shall be kept thereof. No permanent head shall recommend any payment for extra time to officers employed in bringing up arrears of work which properly comes within the scope of their ordinary duties." Regulation 14 provides that officers may be detained by officers-in-charge after office hours to complete work requiring to be done on the same day. The 15th regulation insists on officers during the hours of business devoting themselves exclusively to their public duties, and behaving at all times with courtesy to the public. Under regulation 16 officers absent from duty without leave are liable to be dealt with under section 49 of the act. In case of absence through illness, regulation 17 requires the fact to be immediately reported to the permanent head of the department, and satisfactory evidence of the illness is to be furnished. Regulation 18, dealing with leave of absence, says:—"Every officer shall be entitled, without diminution of salary, after having served for a period of one year, to leave of absence for recreation for two weeks in each year, at such time as the permanent head may deem convenient; but if any officer shall be unable, for departmental reasons, to avail himself of such leave, he shall be entitled to it in any subsequent year, in addition to the leave for such year, but no such accumulated leave shall exceed one month—provided that the permanent head, with the approval of the Minister, may grant to any officer in the Central or Western divisions of the colony, three weeks' leave of absence in respect of one whole year of service in such divisions, or either of them, or, where the annual leave has not been taken, six weeks' leave of absence in respect of two whole years of service in such divisions, or either of them, but no such leave shall be accumulated beyond the said allowance for two years." Under regulation 19 leave of absence not exceeding three days may be granted, but this is to be deducted from the next annual or accumulated leave. Regulation 20 says:—"The board may, with the approval of the Governor, grant to any officer of 20 years' continuous service leave of absence not exceeding 12 months on half salary, or six months on full salary; or, in case of pressing necessity, may grant leave of absence, without salary, to any officer, and such leave may be in addition to the ordinary leave provided for by regulation 18." In regard to sick leave, regulation 21 provides that leave of absence may be granted to any officer for any period not exceeding two months, on the production of satisfactory evidence that such leave is necessary on account of ill-health, and an extension of leave may, when necessary, be obtained on half-pay not exceeding one month, provided that such sickness or ill-health has not been caused by the misconduct of such officer. Under regulation 22 sick leave may, with the approval of the Minister, be obtained for a longer period than under the last regulation, but without pay. Regulation 24 provides that pending the completion of the classification of the Public Service the regulations with regard to leave of absence are not to apply to the persons mentioned in sections 7 and 8 of the Civil Service Act of 1884, or Public school teachers, for whom separate regulations will be made. Under regulation 25 all public holidays throughout New South Wales are to be observed as holidays in the Government offices, but the permanent head, with the approval of the Minister, has power to keep his department open during such holiday, the officers getting another day as a holiday in lieu thereof.

Regulations 26 to 30 deal with appeals to the board as provided by section 15 of the Act. Any officer wishing to appeal has to send to the board a written notice of appeal setting forth the grounds of his dissatisfaction with the grade or classification assigned to him. If the board thinks the notice discloses grounds for further consideration, a day is to be fixed for the hearing of the appeal by the board. The board's arrangements are not to be affected by an appeal until altered by a decision of the board, and the board is as soon as possible to make its decision known.

Regulations 31 to 35 deal with temporary appointments. Persons who are desirous of having their names enrolled in the register of candidates for temporary employment shall notify the secretary of the board, and supply him with their ages, length of time in the colony, and other particulars. Applicants for temporary employment of a clerical nature must submit themselves before enrolment for examination by some person appointed by the board for that purpose. The examination shall be in writing, dictation, and arithmetic, and a fee of 5s will be charged therefor, which must be paid into the Treasury, and the receipt produced, before applicants shall be admitted to examination. In the case of persons applying for positions requiring technical or professional knowledge, they must produce to the satisfaction of the board certificates from competent persons that they are qualified for the office they seek. The applicants to be chosen for employment will be selected in the order of merit, which will be determined by the board. No person is to be eligible for employment who is under 16 years of age or over 60.

Regulations 36 to 43 deal with police magistrates' examinations. Regulation 36 says:—"Every candidate for appointment to the office of police magistrate, not being a barrister-at-law or a solicitor admitted to practice by the Supreme Court of New South Wales, is required before appointment to pass an examination in the following books and subjects:—(1) Stephen's Commentaries—Book I., Book II. (Part II.); Book III., Book IV. (Parts I. and III.); Book VI.; Broom's Maxims. (2) Anson on Contracts, Pollock's Law of Torts. (3) Stephen's Digest of the Law of Evidence. (4) Paley on Summary Convictions, Wilkinson's Magistrate, the Criminal Law Amendment Act of 1883, and any Acts amending the same. Any officer now in the Public Service whom it is considered desirable to appoint to the office of police magistrate, during the 12 months subsequent to the passing of the Act, may be appointed temporarily, upon condition that he passes the prescribed examination in the aforementioned books and subjects within a specified period from the date of such temporary appointment, the period to be fixed by the board in each case; and such temporary appointment shall be confirmed and made permanent after such officer has complied with the conditions herein stated, provided that his conduct during the period of his probation shall have been in all respects satisfactory to the board. In the event of such officer failing to pass the examination in the time prescribed, the board may direct his return to the position previously occupied by him, or to some other position of equal value." Regulation 37 provides that any barrister-at-law or solicitor admitted to practice by the Supreme Court of New South Wales shall be eligible for appointment to the office of police magistrate upon passing an examination in the following subjects:—Paley on Summary Convictions, Wilkinson's Magistrate, the Criminal Law Amendment Act of 1883, and any Acts amending the same. Under regulation 39, no person is to be eligible for examination or for appointment to the position of police magistrate until he shall have resided for at least five years within the colony. Regulations 40, 41, and 42 deal with the mode of conducting the examination, time allowed, and the examiner, who is to be nominated by the Public Service Board. "Police magistrates" are to include stipendiary magistrates.

Regulations 44 to 52 deal with life assurances

under section 63. Regulation 44 says:—"Every officer appointed to the public service after the 23rd of December, 1895, shall, unless specially exempted under the provisions of the Act, assure his life in accordance with the requirements of section 63 and of these regulations with some life assurance company carrying on business in New South Wales; and every officer appointed after the date aforesaid shall be considered as accepting and holding his appointment subject to the condition that a deduction may from time to time be made from the salary, wages, or allowance due to him of a sum sufficient to cover the premium on his life assurance should he fail to pay such premium to the assuring company on or before the date fixed by the company for the payment of such premium." Regulation 45 says:—"Life assurances under the provisions of section 63 of the Act and of the last preceding regulation shall be effected only with such life assurance company or companies as shall be indicated by the board as having arranged and agreed for the necessary progressive increases from time to time in the sums assured according to a specified table of rates, and without any further medical examination than that which may be required in connection with the original assurance." Regulation 46 says:—"The amount for which every officer shall assure his life shall be in accordance with the following scale:—Salary, wage, and allowance (not being forage, equipment, or travelling allowance), £100 and under, amount of insurance £100; above £100 and under £200, £200; above £200 and under £300, £300; above £300 and under £400, £400. For every salary, wage, and allowance aforesaid of £500 the amount shall be £500, with an increase at the rate of £100 for every sum of £100 or part thereof added to the salary, wage, and allowance aforesaid above £500." No appointment to the public service is to be confirmed until assurance has been effected, and the policy is to be deposited with the permanent head of the department, and the premiums are to be paid in advance. No policy is to be varied, altered, or discharged without the consent of the Public Service Board, and the permanent head of the department is to notify the company concerned of any increase of the salary of the officer assured, and the necessary addition to the amount assured is to be made. On the retirement of any officer from the service his assurance policy is to be returned to him, and the assurance company is to be informed that such officer is no longer in the service, and that the board has ceased to be concerned with the policy. In the event of the death of any officer the policy is to be delivered to the legal representative of the deceased officer.

Regulations 53 to 56 deal with charges against officers. If any officer is charged with or convicted of any criminal or quasi-criminal offence, whether punishable by summary conviction or otherwise, the fact is to be immediately reported to the board by the permanent head. If any officer becomes bankrupt or makes an assignment for the benefit of his creditors, he must within seven days give written notice thereof, with a statement or explanation of the causes of his embarrassment, to his superior officer; and such notice and statement shall within seven days of the receipt thereof be transmitted, with a report, to the permanent head, and by him to the board, with any remarks he may desire to make thereon; and, unless and until the board shall otherwise direct, the officer in question shall continue to perform the duties of his position and to receive his salary. Any officer who becomes bankrupt must, within three months from the date of the order sequestrating his estate, apply to the Judge in Bankruptcy for his certificate of discharge, and within seven days shall inform the board of the result of his application. In the event of bankruptcy or assignment the board shall consider the case of the officer under the provisions of section 54 of the Act, and shall inquire and determine, with the aid of such evidence as may be considered necessary in that behalf, whether the embarrassment of such officer has been caused or attended by any fraud, extravagance, or dishonourable conduct, and such officer shall thereupon be informed of the determination of the board.

Regulations 57 and 58 deal with superannuation. Any officer desirous of electing to discontinue his contribution to the Superannuation Account under the provisions of section 62 of the Act, may do so at any time before the 23rd day of December, 1896, by forwarding a notice in writing to that effect to the board. The board, on receipt of any such notice, shall inform the Under-Secretary for Finance and Trade, and no deduction shall be made in respect of contributions to the Superannuation Account from the salary of such officer. Every officer of 60 years of age and upwards is to inform the board in writing of the fact, and whether he is willing to continue to perform the duties of his position, or is desirous of retiring from the service.

Regulations 59 to 61 deal with retirements, superannuation allowances, and gratuities.

Regulations 62 to 77 deal with a number of miscellaneous matters. Any officer engaged after the 1st January, 1896, in any paid office outside the service, or carrying on any business or profession outside the service, is to report the fact to the board, and the board is to give such directions to the officer concerned, and make such recommendations to the Governor, as may be most expedient in the interests of the service. Security is to be given by officers performing duties which in the opinion of the board require it. A fund is to be established at the Treasury to be called a Guarantee Fund, and each officer who may be placed under security is to pay into this fund annually a sum equal to 3s per cent. on the amount for which he has been directed to give security. Public servants are not to hold the office of Mayor, treasurer, auditor, or council clerk of any municipal body. Regulation 66 says:—"In order that officers of all ranks may be enabled to render loyal and efficient service to Government, they are expressly *forbidden to take any active part* in political affairs otherwise than by recording their votes for the election of members of Parliament." Regulations 68, 69, and 70 deal with subordination of officers, obligations of senior officers, and responsibility of permanent heads. Regulation 71 says:—"As the career of an officer in the Public Service will depend entirely upon his personal conduct and the manner in which his duties are performed, he is prohibited from seeking the interest of influential persons in order to obtain promotion, removal, or other advantage. Any infringement of this rule will be severely dealt with. Any officer who considers that his claims for promotion or consideration have been overlooked may write a statement of his claims to the permanent head, who shall forward such statement, with any remarks he may have to make thereon, to the board for its information." Regulations 72, 73, and 74 deal with the care of public property, &c. Regulation 75 provides that no fees, rewards, or gratuities are to be accepted from any person by any officer for his own use. All fees received in the course of official duty are to be paid into the Consolidated Revenue Fund. Regulation 76 provides that breaches of regulations are to be reported to the board, and regulation 77 requires a half-yearly report by the permanent head on officers under his control who may, in his opinion, have exhibited conspicuous merit or ability in the performance of their duties, or whose conduct or attendance during the preceding half-year has been unsatisfactory, though not sufficiently so to call for suspension.

Regulations 78, 79, and 80 deal with travelling and other expenses. The status of officers for purpose of scale, pending the general classification of the service under the Public Service Act, is as follows:—First-class shall include the members of the Public Service Board, and all officers holding positions to which a salary of not less than £400 per annum was attached in the year 1892, and such other officers as were on account of the nature of their duties ranked for purposes of allowance as of the first-class at and before the commencement of the Public Service Act. Second-class shall include all officers holding positions to which a salary of under £400 per annum and not less than £250 was attached in the year 1892, and such other officers as were on account of their duties ranked for purposes of allowance as of the second-class at and before the commencement of the Public Service Act. Third-class shall include all officers holding positions to which a salary of under £250 per annum was attached in the year 1892, with the exception of those specified under sections 7 and 8 of the Civil Service Act, 1884. Fourth-class shall include all persons specified under sections 7 and 8 of the Civil Service Act, 1884. Regulation 79 provides that officials transferred from one locality to another at their own request or on account of misconduct must bear the whole cost of removal themselves; but when transferred in the public interest, or on account of illness, or after three years' residence in an extreme climate, or where the necessaries of life are exceptionally dear, the actual cost of conveyance of officials, their wives and families, is to be paid by the department, together with a reasonable amount towards the cost of removal of furniture and effects. Regulation 80, which is the last, provides that when any unnecessary expense to a department or the public is caused by the fault of any official, the board may direct such expense to be paid by the officer concerned.

AGRICULTURAL SHOWS.

(By Telegraph.)
(From our correspondents.)

MOSS VALE, Thursday.

The third and last day of the district show was again favoured with beautiful weather. The attendance was very fair, and altogether the show has been a great success. The attendance yesterday was the largest on record since 1888, and the profits are expected to clear the society from all debts.

TENTERFIELD, Thursday.

On the second day of the show there was a larger attendance than last year, and everything passed off most successfully. The high jump brought out eight competitors, including Walker's Best Girl, Winter's Anyhow, Gordon's Shamrock, and several colts from Tenterfield station. All the horses failed at 5ft. 6in., the first try, but Best Girl cleared it on the second round. The others failed, but Anyhow, in another attempt, secured second place. The rail was afterwards put to 6ft., which Best Girl cleared at the second try. The jumping, as a whole, was not equal to the ladies' contest yesterday. The event for lady and gentleman, jumping, in pairs, was won by Prentice on Anyhow and Mrs. Stace on Silversides. The following are most of the important prize-winners:—

Stallion 3 years and over: Joseph Benjamin's [illegible] Lord Salisbury. [illegible] Walker trustees' Cleveland. [illegible] Stallion adapted for getting service horses: Walker trustees. Hack mare or gelding to carry 15st: Michael Jordan's Benalba. To carry 12st: A. M. White's Bolivia. Hunting horse: W. D. White's Bolivia. Best stamp of [illegible] horse: C. W. Smith's [illegible]. Best four-in-hand: Walker trustees. Best four-in-hand ponies: Miss Cullen, [illegible]. Mare or gelding: A. M. White's Bolivia. Hunters' jumping contest (8 entries, jumping in [illegible]): A. O. Smith's Joyster and Walker trustees' Lady [illegible] divided first and second prizes. Jumping, leading [illegible]: A. O. Smith's Drake. The prizes in the sheep section were mostly taken by Thomas Lees, of Jennings, who secured also champion for the best merino ram and ewe. Bull 3 years and over: A. M. White, and also champion bull. Polled breed bull: Walker trustees. Devon bull: Walker trustees, and also champion. Most valuable bull, any breed: Walker trustees. Best fat bullock: A. M. White. Champion ram: Walker trustees. Swine: Walker trustees were the only exhibitors. They showed a magnificent Berkshire. Best three bags of wheat: J. Koch, Kobonna.

REMOVAL OF THE ABATTOIRS.

DEPUTATIONS TO THE PREMIER.

A deputation appointed at a public meeting of the residents and ratepayers of the borough of Drummoyne, consisting of the Mayor of Drummoyne (Alderman M. S. Foley), Alderman J. Sewell, and Messrs. E. Dixon, J.P., M. Hogan, and T. Henley, waited upon the Premier at the Treasury yesterday afternoon for the purpose of submitting to him the following resolution, carried at the public meeting referred to:—"That this meeting is of opinion that it is in the interests of the general public that the abattoirs be removed from their present position with the least possible delay, and desires to record its entire approval of the determination of the hon. the Premier in reference to the removal of the abattoirs."

The Mayor of Drummoyne said that the deputation had been asked to convey to the Premier an expression of appreciation of the residents of Drummoyne in regard to the proposals of the Government with reference to the abattoir question, but it had since been learned that there was a probability that the scheme would be delayed. They had come to urge the Premier to hurry the matter forward, as the borough was suffering exceedingly from the intolerable nuisance of cattle-driving through the streets. The thoroughfares and asphalted footpaths had been ruined, and were almost useless.

Mr. Dixon suggested that one of the Ministers should pay a visit to the borough, so that the Government might realise what the residents had to contend with. The cattle were driven right through the borough from Five Dock, and the danger to children was especially great. The residents trusted that the Premier would carry out his promise.

The Premier said that he had promised nothing yet. He had notified the intention of the Government, but that was different to a promise. Had he made a promise it would undoubtedly be carried out. He desired to obtain every information before proceeding.

Alderman Sewell said that £100 per year would not cover the damage to the streets and footpaths of the borough. The abattoirs should be erected in a more isolated place, with a large area of land. There was opposition to the removal on the part of some Balmain people who earned their living there, but he ventured to say that if a vote were taken of the 30,000 residents of that district not more than 300 persons would be found to oppose the suggestion. The cattle were driven through the length and breadth of the borough.

Mr. T. Henley said that as Drummoyne was situated between Homebush and the abattoirs the cattle passed through that suburb. He felt that the abattoirs should be in close proximity to the saleyards, and believed that the present site on Glebe Island could be utilised as the centre of the export trade—a trade which in the near future promised to assume gigantic proportions. If this were done those who worked at the present abattoirs would still be able to find employment in the vicinity of their homes, and no opposition would be raised to the removal. Large cold-storage works could be erected there, and if connected by the railway system to the new abattoirs, wherever they might be situated, would tend to open up an extensive industry. Sometimes the cattle were yarded for three or four days without food in paddocks at Drummoyne.

Mr. Dixon, in reply to the Premier, said that the cattle were driven across the Iron Cove Bridge, and that this was the spot where so much damage was done. Instances had occurred where women had had to cling to the outside of the bridge in dangerous positions in order to prevent being attacked by the cattle.

Mr. Anderson said that the manner in which the cattle were treated rendered the meat unfit for human consumption. They were driven at night in various routes through the district, and it was impossible to escape encountering mobs of infuriated cattle.

The Premier, in reply, said that it was impossible for him to obtain a proper idea of the evil without visiting the district, which he would take the earliest opportunity of doing. He was unaware before that there were two routes between Homebush and the abattoirs, and was surprised to hear that cattle were driven over the Iron Cove Bridge. He would have to go out and see the locality. He might tell them that nothing had as yet been decided in regard to the question of the abattoirs.

A deputation of residents of Balmain and surrounding districts, accompanied by Mr. Law, M.L.A., waited upon the Premier yesterday to urge the retention of the abattoirs at Glebe Island, to ask for the construction of a line of railway to the island, and to ask that the driving of cattle through the streets should be limited to certain hours.

The Premier said that the matter of regulating the driving of cattle through the streets was one that could be dealt with speedily, but the matter relating to the retention of the abattoirs was a larger one, before deciding which he would have to make careful inquiry. He would have to hear what other people interested in the subject had to say before coming to any decision.

DISORDERLY SCENES AT ROOKWOOD COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Rookwood Council was held on Wednesday evening, the Mayor (Alderman Sleo) presiding. The Council-chamber was crowded. Before commencing the business Alderman Lidbury moved the adjournment of the council for the purpose of going into committee to consider a charge which he had made against the council clerk. An amendment was moved that the matter be discussed after the regular business of the evening. Alderman Lidbury then retorted that he could see that the council, or at least a portion of it, was against him, and would allow the officers to do what they liked. An altercation between Alderman Garthwaite and Lidbury then ensued, and in the midst of it the Mayor put the amendment to the meeting, which was carried. Alderman Lidbury [illegible] among the audience, stating that he was not going to sit at the council table till the charge was inquired into. Correspondence was then read and dealt with, and when any discussion took place Alderman Lidbury would emerge from the crowd and take part in the debate. Alderman Gilliver objected to this style of carrying on the business, when Alderman Lidbury replied, "Oh, I'm going to let you know I'm here to-night." He shortly afterwards took his seat at the table. Alderman Abrahams presented a petition signed by 40 working men of the borough, requesting assistance through the member for the borough or other means for the purpose of obtaining employment on the railway extension now about to commence through the general cemetery. It was decided that the Mayor interview Mr. G. W. Smailes, M.L.A., on the matter, and arrange a deputation to see what could be done. Alderman Lidbury asked the Mayor what he had done in reference to getting in the outstanding rates. The Mayor said he was doing his utmost to get in the rates. Alderman Lidbury said he intended to move a resolution to take the matter out of the Mayor's hands next meeting. Alderman Gilliver moved,—"That the council take the necessary steps to borrow £1500 for the erection of a town hall and other improvements." The Mayor ruled the motion out of order. They would have to get another permit to borrow. Alderman Gilliver questioned the Mayor's ruling, and challenged the Mayor to resign and contest any seat in the borough with him. He said it was a prearranged thing to rule the motion out of order. Alderman Godson said it was a falsehood. A scene of great disorder followed, and a motion to adjourn the council was put and declared carried. Alderman Gilliver then rushed up to Alderman Godson and asked him to come outside. Alderman Godson refused, and Alderman Gilliver said he would drag him out, but was held back by three of the crowd. The altercation went on for some time till the lights were put out, and the crowd then departed.

KINDNESS TO THE ANIMAL CREATION.

THE IMMORTALITY OF ANIMALS.

Under the auspices of the Hebrew Literary and Debating Society the Ven. Archdeacon Gunther delivered at the Synagogue-chambers, Castlereagh-street, last evening a lecture on "Kindness to the Animal Creation." The Rev. J. H. Landau, who presided, said that it was the custom of the society to invite to those rooms distinguished churchmen and ministers of other denominations, and it was one, he thought, which had justified itself. He thought that they might take credit to themselves that they had been broad-minded enough to invite gentlemen of the dominant faith to come to lecture there, and he thought it showed tolerance and broadmindedness on the part of those gentlemen who came and delivered lectures there.

Archdeacon Gunther said that man's relation to the rest of the creatures was that of sovereignty. He was essentially different from the lower animals because of the divinity that was in him. It was excellent to have a giant's strength, but tyrannous to use it against the weak. The cruelties which had been practised upon children showed man's inhumanity to man. He touched upon various kinds of cruelty practised towards animals, and referred specially to the cruelty practised by people who tore the wings from living birds and plucked the plumes from the heads of others. The Archdeacon said he was glad to know that in this colony we had an Act under which people could be punished for cruelty to the animal creation. The lecturer dwelt upon the sagacity and fidelity of dogs, and also adverted to theories that had been advanced upon the question of the immortality of animals, and said, that it could not be argued from the Scriptures that future life was denied to the lower animals.

On the motion of Mr. Philip Benjamin, seconded by Mr. J. S. Coronel, and supported by the chairman, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the lecturer.

The Rev. J. H. Landau, in supporting this motion, said how grateful the Jewish people ought to be that they had never had any need for the institution of such societies in their midst as societies for the prevention of cruelty to children and societies for the prevention of cruelty to animals. It seemed to him an awful pity that all other sections of the community did not emulate the good example the Jews undoubtedly set them in that respect. A case of a Jew having ill-treated a dumb animal had never come under his cognisance. Touching upon the question of the immortality of animals, the rev. gentleman said that the equivalent for "life," used in the Old Testament and Talmud, applied to both man and the animal creation, and meant a double existence—a double life. He hoped that they would see in the near future a development and extension of man's kindness to animals.

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SOCIETY OF ARTISTS.

AUTUMN EXHIBITION.

Unusually fortunate in the engagement of the well-proportioned chamber on the ground floor of the Mutual Life buildings for its Autumn Exhibition, the Society of Artists has pushed this advantage still further by decorations which give the extemporised gallery an air of gaiety and grace. The new show is supplementary to the annual Spring Exhibition; large canvases are prohibited, and tragic subjects and *genre* works are accordingly unrepresented. Portraits and figure paintings happen to be but little in evidence either. Pleasant landscapes smile on every side, Australian scenes are plentifully depicted, and a general avoidance of severity of intention proclaims the new show more or less of a holiday effort. The general standard maintained is nevertheless excellent, good work abounds, and the exhibition as a whole is undeniably attractive.

In all there are 142 exhibits, with a markedly preponderating interest in the oil section. Mr. Julian R. Ashton's "The Station Kitchen" is catalogued as No. 1, and in No. 82, "The Station Milking Yards," he sends his best work. The prosaic title introduces a romantic scene in which the weather-beaten surface of the precipitous heights that frown on the outbuildings crouching at their feet is painted in this artist's best manner. His "Reeds by the River" (No. 45) is a charming little bit of deftly-handled scenery; and in "The Accommodation House" (No. 46) the artist has caught the true spirit of the Australian bush. Mr. A. Henry Fullwood is well and numerously represented. His chief contribution is "An Australian River," the blue water winding from the distant range through the yellow-green herbage of the heated fields—a clever work, though lacking detail in the right foreground. "Mosman's Bay" (No. 15) is a taking sketch. There are two breezy little seascapes in similar style (Nos. 11 and 54), and an etching, "The Black Horse, Richmond," which will repay inspection. Messrs. Sands and Co. are republishing this picturesque drawing, and as the old inn has historic interest as the favourite resort for "honeymooners" in the old colonial days, the reissue should prove popular. Mr. J. S. Watkins has made a hit with "Morning" (No. 20), in which great simplicity of style contributes to more than the merely "popular" success of an attractive subject. A girl reads in bed, the white draperies managed everywhere with skill so as to avoid monotony, and the *ensemble* harmonious. The "Head of Berry's Bay" (No. 63), and the strongly-painted "Bush Type," a well-known colonial identity, may also be mentioned.

Mr. Tom Roberts strengthens the collection with 12 paintings. "Evening at Cremorne" (No. 7) shows a semicircle of grassy sward on the heights, with a fringe of trees between the spectator and the blue water below, and as a whole has charm. "Head Study" (No. 38) is a cleverly-painted portrait of a pretty girl—a fascinating picture worth comparing with the pastel study No. 109, in which the same subject is shown "with a difference." "Morning Light on the Hastings River," which might pass for a scene on the Seine, possesses qualities in the feathery delicacy of the foliage, and the management of light and shadow on the glassy surface of the river, is altogether admirable. This work and the others named may all be cited as showing this artist nearly at his best, just as No. 70, a seascape feeble and formless, shows him at his worst. Mr. Arthur Streeton is another important contributor. We recognise his touch in "Landscape" (No. 8), immensely clever in its suggestions of heat and dust and quivering air in the intense light. "All in a Garden Fair" (No. 9) has the charm of vernal green and clear blue sky and atmosphere, though the reality does not answer to the scene suggested to English minds by the title. "Garden Island" (No. 18) furnishes a vivid little bird's-eye view of a familiar scene; "Travellers' Rest," with its cool grey tones, is painted so as to look almost like a water-colour; and the contrasts of colour in "Mosman's Bay" are delicately enforced.

Mr. W. B. Spong's contributions form the main strength of the water-colour section, which would have comparatively but little interest without them. His principal work is a view of Nicholas Creek, New Zealand (No. 125), a beautiful scene in which the saplings on the beetling rocks above are flecked with the pale yellow light which their branches intercept before it can reach the pool in the bed of the creek below. Mr. Spong's delicacy of touch and perception is apparent in a captivating bit of "Street in Segovia" (No. 117), and again these qualities obtain in the grey softness of No. 129, where soldiers issue from the fortressed town of "Nurnberg," the scene all enveloped in rain. In the water-colour section special notice should be given to two promising works by an amateur, Mr. W. A. Moir, whose "Evening Showers" (No. 115) is strong. Miss Alice Norton's pictures are in this section, and Nos. 128 and 132 furnish pleasant examples of her style. Mr. Sid. Long sends a spirited sketch of a street arab entitled "Stiver" (No. 25), and his "Pastoral" (No. 51) is clever, though the bright green patch amidst the shade is difficult to account for. Miss Alice Meston's "Portrait" is firmly modelled, and the ruddy flesh tones are faithful; her roses in No. 49 make a good picture, and are better drawn than those in her "Study in White and Gold" (No. 19), whilst in both cases the colouring wins acceptance. Mr. Hall Thorpe makes his success in No. 76, "The Jamieson Valley, Katoomba," in which the difficult effects of the vast blue distances and the spirit of a majestic scene have been aptly suggested. Miss Ethel Stephens is favourably in evidence, and her "Grapes" (No. 74) is so perfectly painted on a panel of native rosewood as to make quite an interesting picture. Miss M. E. Drewe's "Yachts" is a pretty composition, in which the foreground of dimpled water has merit. In the Black and White section Mr. Norman Lindsay bears off the palm for the feeling for dramatic effect shown in "[illegible] of their Natural Life" (No. 133)—heavily-ironed prisoners parading in the cold grey light of early morn. Mr. L. Hopkins sends one of his [illegible]. Mr. Frank P. Mahony is represented by the two little sketches which [illegible] No. 86.

The exhibition will be formally opened to members this afternoon and to the general public to-morrow.

MERCADOOL LAND CASES.

CONCLUSION OF MR. D. G. PEEL'S EVIDENCE.

MR. G. S. E. DALE IN THE WITNESS-BOX.

The Gunnedah Land Board, sitting in the Quarter Sessions Court, Darlinghurst, yesterday continued its inquiry into the allegations that certain selections on the resumed area of Mercadool run, Walgett district, had been illegally taken up.

In re-examination by Mr. R. E. O'Connor, Mr. D. G. Peel said that as soon as the subject in connection with this case were moved the Assets Company discontinued receiving deposits from witness, and consequently the making of advances to selectors, as they wanted to see the equity of the business settled. Acting on advice, witness refrained from taking over the securities. None of the alterations in his land ledger were made for the purpose of deceiving anyone, but with the object of making the entries more intelligible.

George Samuel Evans Dale, solicitor, of Narrabri, in reply to questions by Mr. R. E. O'Connor, stated that in September, 1891, Mr. Peel told him that Mr. Foster, the manager of Mercadool run, would probably call and see him with regard to some land matters, and requested him to give Mr. Foster such advice as he could. In December of the same year Mr. Foster called on witness at his office at Narrabri, and they had a conversation on the law relating to land matters. Foster inquired as to the power of conditional purchasers to mortgage their selections to the station-holder. Witness said it was legal, but pointed out the risk of lending money on uncertificated C.P.s, or any selections the conditions in regard to which had not been fulfilled. He also said that the rate of interest should be commensurate with the risk. It was then arranged that witness should write a letter explaining what he had said, and should send Mr. Foster copies of the forms he used in connection with securities of that kind. He believed Mr. Foster said there were some selectors on his run whom he wished to lend money to, but he desired to be very cautious, as he was the representative of the station. In 1892 Mr. Foster saw witness again, and said he had considered his advice, and was prepared to lend money to the three selectors, Millar, Dodd, and Wilson, and others on similar terms. The rate of interest was to be 15 per cent., and there were to be other charges, but Mr. Foster could not state what they were at the time. He did not say who was going to lend the money, but he made some mention of a company being concerned in it. He further spoke of advertising that he had money to lend to trustworthy selectors. Witness advertised accordingly in Narrabri and Walgett, and received several applications. Amongst these applicants was Cadden, who said he was the uncle and guardian of some young men who had legacies coming to them. The amounts of those legacies were not sufficient to enable them to make a start on their own account, but with assistance they would be able to do so, and he had advised them to take up land. Witness explained that the land to be taken up would be pointed out to Cadden, and if it suited them the necessary funds to enable them to go on it would be advanced. Witness explained the conditions, and said the interest would be 15 per cent., and that there would be additional charges. He further said that if the selectors fulfilled the conditions the money would not be called up until the selections were certificated. Cadden remarked at the time that if he waited until cheaper money was obtainable the best of the country would be gone.

The board at this stage adjourned until to-day (Friday).

AN ACCIDENT AVERTED.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—I was a passenger by the 1.7 p.m. train from Sydney to Petersham last Saturday, and was a witness of as narrow an escape from death or mutilation of a passenger at the Stanmore station as I ever remember. My sole object in craving a small space in your columns is to bring under notice the gallant conduct of the guard of the train, who, at considerable risk to himself, rushed out of the moving train, and seized the lady just as she was disappearing between the platform and the carriages. Both were dragged along for some yards before the train was stopped, and happily the lady sustained no injury beyond a severe fright and shaking. She undoubtedly owes her life to this brave man, and I think if ever there was a deserving case for the Humane Society's medal his is one. Whilst on this subject, and considering the constantly recurring accidents of this kind that there are, could not some preventive means be devised, such as, for instance, a moveable net between the carriages, similar to what is in daily use under the gangways of ships when alongside the wharf. I venture to think that something of this sort could, with a little trouble, be adopted, and thus save many valuable lives.

I am, &c.,
F. WALKER.

MEETINGS.

ABORIGINES' PROTECTION BOARD.

A meeting of the Aborigines' Protection Board was held yesterday. Mr. E. Fosbery presided. Authority was granted for the purchase of clothing for 26 aborigines in the Hillston district. A number of tools to enable the aborigines to clear their reserve at Boambolo were also authorised to be supplied. Satisfactory reports for the month of February were received from the managers of the aboriginal stations at Brewarrina, Brungle, Warangesda, and the Home for Aborigines at Grafton.

WOOLLAHRA LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY.

An interesting inter-club debate against the Sydney Socialist League took place last Wednesday evening at the above society's rooms. There was a good attendance, Dr. F. H. Quaife being in the chair. The socialists led off by Mr. A. Sinclair affirming "That eight hours should be a legal day's work." Mr. J. R. Wallace opened the debate for Woollahra. On a vote being taken, the majority voted for the compulsory system.

TOXTETH CHURCH LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY.

This society held a meeting on Wednesday, when a debate took place on "Are the improved means of production beneficial to the working classes?" The motion was lost.

ST. JOHN'S BISHOPTHORPE INSTITUTE.

This society held a meeting on Tuesday evening, and discussed the motion, "That the literature of the present century is to be preferred to that of former times."

THE CHURCH HOME.

A meeting convened by Miss Lenthal was held in the Chapter House yesterday afternoon to arrange for the holding of a fete in aid of the funds for the Church Home for Women. The chair was occupied by the Mayoress of Sydney. Among those present were Mesdame M. Harris, Trickett, Delohery, Pain, Kellick, Whiting, Eldrick, Mullins, Ash, Rutledge, Browning, H. Way, and Toose, Misses Lenthal, Ives, Harris, Rutter, Jennings, Brady, Wyatt, Marston, and Phillips, and Messrs. Courtenay Smith, Uhr, H. Nathan, and Barnet. Among the letters read was one bearing testimony to the effectiveness of the Salvation Army as an assisting agency. The Rev. H. M. Trickett explained that it was necessary to raise funds for the home, and the proposal was to hold a fete in some central place in Sydney. It had been suggested that a garden fete should be held, but after discussion the meeting decided in favour of holding the affair in the Y.M.C.A. Hall. Mr. Trickett announced that many offers of assistance in the way of providing stalls, entertainments, &c., had been received. The middle of June was suggested as the time for holding the fete, but the final decision was left over to a future meeting. The meeting then adjourned, and it was arranged that those present should ascertain what support they could obtain, and report to the next meeting.

SINGLE TAX LEAGUE.

A meeting of the Single Tax League was held at No. 112 King-street last night. There was a fair attendance. Mr. P. M'Naught presided. The business of the evening was the answering and debating of questions. The questions which excited the most debate were—"Single-taxers claim to assist those on the land. How can you say so when they propose to tax heavily those who own land?" and "Should the amount originally paid on the sale of land be exempted from taxation under a properly imposed land value tax?"

A SUBWAY FOR AUBURN.

One of the largest public meetings ever held in Auburn was held on Wednesday evening in the Cumberland Hall. The meeting was called for the purpose of protesting against the refusal of the Railway Commissioners to provide for the safety of the travelling public at the Auburn railway station. The Mayor (Alderman L. T. Roper) presided. The chairman referred to their unsuccessful attempts to secure a subway for Auburn. Mr. Allan Gee, J.P., moved,—"That the borough council of Auburn is deserving of the best thanks of this district for its endeavour to secure a subway at the Auburn railway station, and that this meeting regards the refusal of the Railway Commissioners to entertain the request as a serious menace to the safety of the travelling public." The Rev. W. H. Saunders seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously. Mr. W. M. Thomas moved,—"That a deputation wait upon the Chief Commissioner for Railways, and convey to him the former resolution and impress upon him the necessity for taking the matter of the subway into his immediate consideration, and that the member for the district be asked to introduce the deputation at an early date." The motion was carried unanimously.

ENGINEERING ASSOCIATION OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL ADDRESS.

The first meeting in the new session of the Engineering Association was held last night at the offices in Pitt-street. Mr. A. D. Nelson, president, was in the chair, and there was a fair attendance of members.

The chairman read some extracts from a letter he had received from Mr. P. N. Russell, in which that gentleman wished to be remembered to the members of the association, especially to those who had been apprenticed to him years ago. He was, he said, pleased with the progress these latter gentlemen had made as a rule in their profession.

The President, in commencing his annual address, deplored the causes which had driven so many engineers and mechanics from this colony to other fields. He hoped it would not be long before the colony again enjoyed a return of its former prosperity. On account of a large amount for subscriptions being in arrears it was found difficult to carry on the association with the same efficiency that had characterised it in the past. The Smelting Company of Australia, which was erecting works near the shore of Lake Illawarra, was making a departure which must prove of great service to the colony. It was a large undertaking, and a great amount of money must be spent in the construction and maintenance of the plant. It also meant the circulation of much money in the purchasing of ores, and additional work to the railways of the colony. It would cause many mines which had been shut down to be opened again, and in many ways the unemployed would be absorbed in consequence of the works. He trusted the Government would render this company all the assistance it could to make the undertaking a success. Passing on to the wealth of iron deposits in the colony, he said he had inspected ore at Wallerawang, which on analysis showed 60 per cent. of iron, and almost free from sulphur. There was unlimited hard splint coal and limestone near at hand, the two ingredients which were necessary in the making of steel and iron. He had arrived at the following figures on the basis of a plant with two furnaces capable of turning out 600 tons per week. The cost of production would be: Coal, 1800 tons at 5s, [illegible]; ore, 1400 tons at 2s 6d, [illegible]; lime, 320 tons at 2s 6d, £40; total, £[illegible] 10s. They would then have pig iron which could be turned into any class of iron or steel required. The trouble in the way of the capitalist was that there was [illegible]. Let the Government, he said, decide on taking a reasonable quantity of iron, and the industry would soon become an accomplished fact. A quarter of a million of capital would be sunk, he had authority for saying, in the venture. He read an extract from a Japanese paper showing that the Government of that country had agreed to take a certain quantity of iron from a smelting company which was erecting local works, with the idea of helping the industry so that Japan would not be entirely dependent on foreign countries for her iron. What was to prevent the Government of this country doing the same? We imported last year into this colony iron and steel, raw and manufactured, to the value of £1,415,637. There was room here, he felt sure, for the development of some of the iron industries of the colony.

THE NEWCASTLE COAL TRADE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—I notice that the leaders of the Newcastle coalminers' unions are making arrangements for a general strike just in the old style of five or six years back, and the same men who were so prominent then are to the fore again. This, of course, is only what we might have expected, as the Ethiopian does not change his skin nor the leopard his spots. And without strikes delegates are poor things of no account, who might be let pine away and die, or, worse still, might be compelled to live as other men do—by the work of their hands. But in reference to the working miners, the men who cut the coal and are not afraid of hard work, I would like to ask one question through your columns. Not being personally acquainted with these miners, let me ask—Is there anything in their mental or physical constitution which makes it impossible for them to live on half the income or wages which they formerly received? Farmers, pastoralists, tradesmen, labourers, and even members of the learned professions, almost without exception, have had to do this in consequence of the depression and loss of confidence brought about chiefly by the past action of the organised trades unions; and I think it is a fair question to ask, Why cannot the union miners do the same? Are they afraid to face the consequences of their own actions? and if so, why should all the people who are not miners, but whose living depends on the production and trade of the Hunter and the port of Newcastle, be involved in the ruin which these miners propose to bring on the district? Clearly and unmistakably, if they cannot conform to the only conditions on which the trade can be rebuilt, it is their duty to get out of the way and make place for men who can. They have no right, legal or moral, by stopping production at its source to ruin ten times their own number of industrious men who have had nothing to do with bringing about a state of things which makes low wages a necessity, which state of things, as I have pointed out scores of times in the last six or seven years, is the inevitable outcome of that new unionism which selects its leaders and representatives from among the fools and rogues of the community.

I am, &c.,
W. E. ABBOTT.
March 3.

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SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

THE TURF.

The two days' meeting arranged by the management of the Brighton Racing Club commences to-day on the pleasantly situated racecourse near Lady Robinson's Beach, and the ordinary traffic by rail to Rockdale will be supplemented by a special train, starting from Redfern at 1.55 p.m. Trams will meet each train at Rockdale, and land visitors at the racecourse gates. The first race is timed to start at 2.45 p.m.

A further concession is announced of the tram fares to Randwick on the occasion of the March Meeting to-morrow, when the single fare from Bent-street and intermediate stations will be sixpence, and the return ticket ninepence.

Trainers and jockeys engaged at the A.J.C. March Meeting can obtain tickets of admission to the saddling paddock up to 4 p.m. to-day at the office of the club.

Up to 5 p.m. to-day Mr. P. O'Mara will receive entries for the items on the card for the Kensington pony and galloway fixture of Friday next. Full particulars can be seen in our business sheets.

Settling over the V.R.C. Autumn Meeting took place at Tattersall's clubrooms yesterday, and passed off satisfactorily.

Entries for the pony and galloway meeting to be held at Rosebery Park on Tuesday next (St. Patrick's Day) must be in the hands of the secretary, Mr. T. S. Donnellan, before 5 p.m. to-day. The programme is set forth in our advertising sheets.

The weights for the Sydney Cup will bear a lot of looking into, and though a fairly good production, inspection reveals several items that are difficult of solution. Quiver has been left with a pretty fair prospect, but Havoc might have had a trifle less, and Dishgured has been fairly handicapped out of it. The Harvester is remarkably well in, but Dreamland was ill-treated and could not have had a shadow of a chance with Wallace on the Australian Cup running. With only 2lb. more than he carried so brilliantly into second place for the Australian Cup, and a quarter of a mile less to carry, the son of Carbine must be in it a very long way, for the length of the trip will suit him and he is a rare finisher. Delaware and Challenger have been somewhat imposed upon, and so have Newcastle and The Trier. Acmena is fairly well in on recent form, and Valiant and Little Agnes read decidedly well at the weights. If Vanitas can stay he should be content with 8st; but when placed on even terms with Patroness, Pharamond has all the worst of the deal. Nada only needs to be dressed in her best to require a deal of beating, and the "in and out" running Fort bids fair to give a lot of trouble. The Meddler and Response are aptly placed, and, as they are bred the right way, are sure to have friends. Form and Ronda have been over-rated, and so has Tricolor; but Wabine and Toreador are remarkably well in. On strict figures the most favoured seem to be Wallace, Patroness, Valiant, Toreador, and Fort.

Our Ourimbah friends are actively at work preparing for their meeting on the 17th, and the reunion promises to be the most successful yet held in the district.

The programme issued by the Canterbury Park management for the pony and galloway meeting to be held next Wednesday claims the attention of owners and trainers of small horses to-day, for at 5 p.m. nominations close for the different items comprised therein. The full programme can be seen in our business sheets.

The regular monthly meeting of the A.J.C. Committee was held yesterday, when trainers' licenses were granted to H. Linnell and John Kerr; jockeys' licenses to Samuel Fergus, David Barry, Herbert Keane, Laurence Holmes, Charles King, and Wm. Neil; and permission to ride racehorses was given to John Robinson, W. Cook, and George Hall. The tender of J. T. Hardiman for the lease of the cigar divan in the grand stand reserve was accepted. The committee determined that in future jockeys' equipments and appointments must be in proper order; if not, the usual penalties will be enforced. Permission was granted to Mr. T. S. Clibborn to hold a sale of thoroughbred two-year-olds at Randwick during the spring meeting. Sums of £10 and £5 respectively were voted from the distressed jockeys' fund to W. M. M'Curley and James E. Laing. Lismore Tattersall's Racing Club was granted registration as a club.

The scratchings recorded at the office of the A.J.C. yesterday are subjoined:—March meeting: Denison Stakes, Vanitas and Albacore; Alexandra Stakes, Mount Royal; Hurdle Race, Merrigal. Autumn meeting: Champagne Stakes, Lady Loch, The Officer; Doncaster Handicap, Vanitas, Glare, Mount Royal, Candour, and Rackarock; Sydney Cup, Vanitas and Rackarock.

The following race meetings were yesterday granted registration by the A.J.C. authorities:—Dungowan (Tamworth district), Billenudgel (late The Pocket), and Bongwall Flat.

A dense fog overhung Randwick racecourse yesterday morning, and for a time obscured the performances of the horses. The course proper was open. Malachite and Clive were out early, and the first-named was three lengths to the good at the finish of once round. Then, as the fog lifted, Albacore and Mount Victoria were slipped for a mile gallop, Albacore finishing a length in front, the trip having occupied 1 minute 49 seconds. Valiant was three lengths in front of Inspiration at the end of a mile, run in 1 minute 51 seconds. Leonidas and Form covered a mile and a quarter at a moderate pace, and Scotch Lassie was treated to a strong round on the tan. Coil and the others of Payten's recent Melbourne team were out exercising, as were Cabin Boy, Schoolboy, and Laura. All There ran what appeared to be a fast six furlongs, and Acmena put past about a mile and a half at three-quarter speed. Taranaki and Rosebery ran home fast over the last six furlongs of a round, and Aquisble got over three-quarters of a mile alone. Gradle was sent for a mile and a quarter gallop, which she accomplished in 2 minutes 20 seconds, and The Trier beat Teralba by four lengths over a mile run in 1 minute 50 seconds. Quadrant whilst taking part in a gallop with Attachment and The Captain struck himself and refused to budge for some time. Meanwhile Attachment defeated The Captain by a length at the end of a mile, negotiated in 1 minute 50 seconds. Checkmate got over 10 furlongs in 2 minutes [illegible] seconds, and Collarette dashed over 5 furlongs smartly. Stiletto shaped nicely over a mile, and Couraillie cast behind six furlongs in 1 minute 21 seconds. Huret and Homer took 1 minute 23 seconds to get to the end of six furlongs. Fort did not go at all well, though he defeated Aureus over the circuit, the watch registering 2 minutes 45 seconds. Mosaic beat Wingen by two lengths over five furlongs in 1 minute 9 seconds, and St. Mary had more to say than Solar when six furlongs were put past in 1 minute 23 seconds. Jack o' Lantern, ridden right out and under the whip, ran 10 furlongs in 2 minutes 21 seconds, and Nobleman covered a mile in 1 minute 49 seconds. Le Nord spurted over five furlongs in 1 minute 9 seconds, and Enid was ridden out at the end of a well-run six furlongs. Confidence pulled over Sarem at the finish of a mile gallop, which she ran in 1 minute 50 seconds, and Gogorema was two lengths in advance of Pharamond at the finish of a similar journey, accomplished in 1 minute 49 seconds. Delaware, with C. Parker up, got over the mile in 1 minute 48 seconds, finishing fairly well; and Response beat Vanitas by half a length over a mile in 1 minute 50 seconds. Cravat and Hindoo defeated Astronomer by four lengths in a mile, the watch registering 1 [minute] 49 seconds, and Toreador defeated The Skipper by three lengths over a like trip in 1 minute 49 seconds. Kallatina had the best of Bedavon and Eileen by four lengths over the circuit, run in 2 minutes 56½ seconds; and All Right and Dalwood were schooled over the hurdles.

Messrs. W. Inglis and Son announce that the racehorse Ned Gow will be sold at the Horse Bazaar to-day.

(By Telegraph.)
(From our correspondents.)

VICTORIAN SPORTING.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

Quiver will be shipped for India by the first direct boat leaving.

During the race meeting held by the Richmond Racing Club yesterday, the stewards adjudicated on several cases of insubordination. A jockey named W. Peters was disqualified for three months for striking a competing rider in the 13 hands event. The mare Virus, together with the owner, W. O'Connor, was also suspended; and, in the 14 hands event, G. Steers, a jockey, who had been charged with interference, was warned.

The owner of Straigthtire was so disgusted with the horse's performance in the Alphington Handicap at Moonee Valley this afternoon that after the race he made a present of him to his trainer, J. T. Carslake.

At one time during the past few days there was a probability of Hova going to England, but negotiations for the purchase have fallen through. A substantial sum was offered for him, but it did not quite come up to the reserve, which is believed to be something like £5000.

ACCIDENT TO A RACEHORSE.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

While doing a gallop at Caulfield this morning Bung Bung met with an accident, which will probably end in her death. She was being galloped on the inner track, and when near the gate at the mile and a furlong post she made a sudden swerve through an open panel into the course proper, with the result that she was staked with a projecting rail through the chest. She was being ridden at the time by young Daniels, the collision throwing him to the ground and injuring his back. He will not be able to ride for some time.

DENILIQUIN JOCKEY CLUB.

DENILIQUIN, Thursday.

At the committee meeting of the Deniliquin Jockey Club, held yesterday, it was decided to hold the annual race meeting of the club on the 21st and 22nd July next, with prize money added not to exceed £200.

MUDGEE RACING CLUB.

MUDGEE, Thursday.

The Mudgee District Racing Club having established sires' produce stakes for next year's meeting, the following nominations have been made:—Mr. H. C. White's Cranbrook and Antaeus, Mr. Rouse's Clan Stuart, Mr. Hooke's Jeweller, Mr. Gannon's Melos, Mr. Thompson's Lochiel. Entries for the foals close on the 1st April.

CLARENCE RIVER JOCKEY CLUB.

GRAFTON, Thursday.

The Clarence River Jockey Club at a meeting last night adopted programmes for the meeting on 21th May and for the annual race meeting on 8th and 9th July.

KENSINGTON PONY AND GALLOWAY RACES.

There was a large attendance at Kensington yesterday to witness the pony and galloway races. The weather was beautifully fine and the track in good order. The results are appended:—

Hurdle Race (15.0), a handicap of 25 sovs., second horse 3 sovs. from the prize, 1½ mile.—L. Harris's b g Antic, aged, 9st 7lb (D. Edwards), 1; T. Lloyd's br g Jimmy, 6 years, 10st (J. Smith), 2; M. Williams's ch g Bristowe, 6 years, 11st 3lb, including 7lb penalty (M. Dunley), 3. Other starters: Bertie, 10st 3lb; Toy, 9st 7lb; Mondrob, 9st 7lb; A1, 8st 9lb; Mascotte, 8st 7lb. Betting: 3 to 1 v. Toy, 4 to 1 v. Antic and Jimmy, 5 to 1 v. Bristowe, 8 to 1 v. Bertie. Won by a length and a quarter, two lengths between second and third. Time, 2 minutes 56 seconds.

Fourteen-one Handicap of 25 sovs., second horse 3 sovs. from prize, 4½ furlongs.—H. Robinson's ch g F.W., 6st 11lb, including 1lb over (Robinson), 1; R. W. Pearce's b m Lavender, aged, 7st 7lb (P. Hayes), 2; E. Hatton's b h Chieftain, 5 years, 8st 8lb (Hawley), 3; D. Walker's ch g Album, 6 years, 8st 4lb (Walker), 0. Other starters: Sea Shell, 8st 2lb; Brown Mantle, 7st 8lb; Chance Her, 7st 3lb; Leo, 7st 1lb; Clarionette, 7st 2lb, including 10lb penalty. Betting: 2 to 1 v. Sea Shell, 3 to 1 v. Lavender, 5 to 1 v. Leo and Album, 8 to 1 v. Chieftain and F.W. Won by a length, a similar distance separating second and third. Time, 1 minute.

Fifteen Hands Handicap of 25 sovs., second horse 3 sovs. from the prize, 4½ furlongs.—A. G. Taylor's ch f Loch Katrine, 3 years, 8st 5lb (J. Montgomery), 1; W. Dawson's b f Aluminium, 3 years, 8st 12lb (Esther), 2; E. Hatton's b m Princess, aged, 8st 4lb (J. Hawley), 3. Other starters: Sinking Fund, 8st 5lb; Luther, 7st 5lb; Rosy Morn, 7st 3lb; Oixey, 7st. Betting: 2 to 1 v. Luther, 5 to 1 v. Aluminium and Princess, 7 to 1 v. Loch Katrine, Rosy Morn, and Sinking Fund. Won by a length and a quarter, a length and a half between second and third. Time, 59½ seconds.

Fourteen Hands Welter Handicap of 20 sovs., second horse 2 sovs. from the prize; lowest weight 7st 7lb. 4 furlongs.—A. G. Taylor's b m Deceiver, aged, 8st 5lb (R. Hughes), 1; J. M'Namara's b or br m Alma, aged, 8st 5lb (P. Walker), 2; W. Finn's b m Novice, 5 years, 8st 9lb (Finn), 3. Other starters: Llama, 8st 9lb; Edith II. (late Sweetheart), 8st 5lb; The Rat, 8st 2lb; Fuze, 8st; Zanzibar, 8st; Curlew, 7st 7lb. Betting: 4 to 1 v. The Rat and Deceiver, 5 to 1 v. Llama, Alma, and Fuze, 8 to 1 (at first 3 to 1) v. Novice. Won by a length, half a length between second and third. Time, 56 seconds.

Fourteen-two Handicap of 25 sovs., second horse 3 sovs. from the prize, 5 furlongs.—J. Bourke's ch g Rob Roy, aged, 7st 12lb (P. Hayes), 1; P. Campbell's b m Eurydice, 6 years, 8st 2lb (J. Cunningham), 2; J. Lillas' ch g Chester, aged, 8st (Potter), 3. Other starters: Little Dick, 8st; Lady Redfern, 7st 10lb; Jessia, 7st 9lb; Zara, 7st 3lb; Cosequal, 7st 1lb; Maggie, 6st 13lb; Coquette, 6st 7lb. Betting: 5 to 2 v. Rob Roy, 3 to 1 v. Maggie and Eurydice, 7 to 1 v. Chester, 8 to 1 v. Lady Redfern. Won by a length and a half, a similar distance between second and third. Time, 1 minute 6½ seconds.

Kensington Handicap (15.0) of 30 sovs., second horse 5 sovs. from the prize, 6 furlongs.—W. Pelley's ch m Cricket, aged, 7st 4lb, including 1lb over (Hayes), 1; F. O'Donoghue's br m Rosy Morn, 5 years, 6st 12lb (P. Farrell), 2; E. Hatton's b or br m Cinder Ellen, 4 years, 9st 5lb (Hawley), 3. Other starters: Loch Katrine, 8st 9lb, including 7lb penalty; Loch Mohr, 7st 2lb; Bandbox, 7st 5lb, including 5lb over; Can Can, 6st 13½lb, including 11lb over; Bantry, 6st 12lb; Blazes, 6st 8lb; Flossie, 6st 7lb. Betting: 3 to 1 v. Cinder Ellen, 4 to 1 v. Can Can, 6 to 1 v. Bantry and Blazes, 7 to 1 v. Cricket, 8 to 1 v. Bandbox and Flossie. Won by a head, a length between second and third. Time, 1 minute 19 seconds.

LILLIE BRIDGE RACES.

There was a fair attendance at Lillie Bridge last evening. The following are the results:—

Maiden Handicap (12.3 to 13.0), 3 furlongs.—J. Fennelly's La Tosca, 8st 7lb, 1. Five started. Betting: 6 to 4 v. La Tosca, 3 to 1 v. The Rat and Becky Sharpe, 5 to 1 v. others. Won by a length.

Bettors' Handicap (13.3 to 14.0), 4 furlongs.—B. M'Donald's Berigne, 8st 12lb, 1. Six started. Betting: 6 to 4 v. Little John, 2 to 1 v. Winnie, 4 to 1 v. others. Won by a length.

Pony and Horse Trot, 1½ mile.—H. Loseby's Dayto Maid, 7 seconds behind, 1. Seven started. Betting: Even money on Prince, 3 to 1 v. Dayto Maid and Rosebud, 5 to 1 v. others. Won by five lengths.

Lillie Bridge Handicap (12.0 to 12.0), 5 furlongs.—Mrs. F. Cohen's Cerise and Blue, 7st 6lb, 1. Five started. Betting: 6 to 4 on Brighton, 6 to 4 v. Creamy Jack, 4 to 1 v. Colleen Bawn, 10 to 1 v. others. Won by half a length.

MOONEE VALLEY RACES.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

A race meeting was held at Moonee Valley this afternoon. The weather was showery and the attendance very small. Backers more than held their own against the ring, four warm favourites winning, while the other two winners were well backed. Regent, who started favourite for the Hurdle Race, ran off after going half the distance. The stewards inquired into this and severely cautioned the jockey (J. Smith). The following are the results:—

Two-year-old Handicap, 5 furlongs.—Ammunition, 8st 2lb (L. Power), 1; Silverlocks, 7st 7lb (Master Sevior), 2; Resolution, 7st 12lb (E. Lewis), 3. Nine started. Won by a neck. Time, 1 minute 4½ seconds.

Hurdle Race, 1½ mile.—Lord Byron, 10st 13lb (Tomlin), 1; Trawalla, 10st (Wm. Allen), 2; Illowa, 10st 10lb (Underwood), 3. Six started. Won easily. Time, 2 minutes 51¾ seconds.

Ascot Handicap, 5½ furlongs.—Miss Gladstone, 8st 4lb (Pearson), 1; Martine, 7st 11lb (Paschoe), 2; Scarpus, 7st 11lb (Master Sevior), 3. Nine started. Won by half a length. Time, 1 minute 8½ seconds.

Novice Handicap, 7 furlongs.—Eildon, 7st 13lb (Bicker), 1; Realmar, 7st 12lb (Flower), 2; Albine, 7st 10lb (Morris), 3. Six started. Won easily. Time, 1 minute 33 seconds.

Alphington Handicap, 6 furlongs.—Whakawatea, 9st 2lb (L. Power), 1; Straighttire, 7st 3lb (E. Lewis), 2; Munah, 7st 6lb (Eyre), 3. Five started. Won easily. Time, 1 minute 22¼ seconds.

Welter Handicap, 5½ furlongs.—Beau Brummel, 8st 13lb (Darley), 1; Scarpus, 8st 8lb (Master Sevior), 2; Glory, 8st 4lb (Bawes), 3. Fourteen started. Won by half a length. Time, 1 minute 9 seconds.

ORANGE JOCKEY CLUB.

ORANGE, Thursday.

The Orange J. C. Races were held yesterday and to-day. The results are appended:—

First Day.

Opening Handicap.—Surprise, 1.
District Stakes.—Marco, 1.
Kelso Handicap.—Decoud, 1.
Town Plate.—Sandhurst, 1.

Second Day.

Stewards' Purse.—Decoud, 1; Haynes King, 2; Alice Hawthorne, 3.

Public Auction Stakes.—Decision, 1; Marco, 2; New Brunswick, 3.

O.J.C. Handicap.—Mr. Rouse's Redoubt, 8st 4lb, 1; Mr. Glover's Darro, 8st 5lb, 2; Mr. Burton's Aigs, 7st 7lb, 3. Other starters: Surprise and Isaac. The winner started at 10 to 1; 2 to 1 on Surprise.

Shorts Handicap.—Alice Hawthorne.

Farewell Handicap.—Darro.

COONABARABRAN RACES.

COONABARABRAN, Thursday.

The Coonabarabran races were held to-day, and were well attended. The following are the results:—

[illegible]—Rattler, 1; Ma[illegible], 2; [illegible], 3.
[illegible], 1; [illegible], 2; Virago, 3.
[illegible], 1; Stocking, 2; [illegible], 3.
[illegible], 1; Lady [illegible], 2; Virago, 3.
[illegible], 1; Rowland, 2.
[illegible] Stakes.—[illegible], 1; Virago, 2; [illegible], 3.

NORTHERN JOCKEY CLUB MEETING.

WEST MAITLAND, Thursday.

The Northern Jockey Club meeting opened at Rutherford to-day. The weather was delightful and the attendance limited. The racing generally was good. The results were as follows:—

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The following additional imposts are announced to-night:—

Maitland Handicap, 6 furlongs.—Sir Arthur, [illegible]; Heinemann, [illegible]; Stewart, [illegible]; Jack Horner, [illegible]; Brolga, 7st; Bodlegement, 7st; Tom, 7st; [illegible], 7st; [illegible].

Flying Handicap, 6 furlongs.—Lioness, [illegible]; Brolga, 7st [illegible]; Bodlegement, [illegible]; Battlewing, [illegible]; Royalty, [illegible]; Iona, [illegible]; Robydor, [illegible].

CASTLEREAGH ATHLETIC CLUB.

PENRITH, Thursday.

The first meeting of the Castlereagh Athletic Club was held on the ground at Castlereagh yesterday. There was a large attendance. The Castlereagh Handicap was won by P. Curry, 12 yards, D. M'Hee, 10 yards, second, and J. Gunnel third.

CYCLING.

THE LEAGUE OF WHEELMEN'S CARNIVAL.

Yesterday was the last day for fast work prior to the opening of the League's carnival, and as a consequence all the men were on the track in good time and confined themselves almost entirely to sprinting. During the morning Porta, the Italian champion, and Don Walker, who was one of those who defeated Zimmerman during his stay in Australia, arrived from Melbourne, and were met at the station by the race secretary, Mr. P. Hunter. In the course of the afternoon they were on the track with the other men, and although the train journey had necessarily affected them they still gave onlookers a taste of their powers. Martin headed the usual scratching bunch, and made matters very lively during the whole time he was present. Megson appeared in rattling form, and rolled off a couple of miles in fine style, and afterwards went fairly easy for the remainder of his journey. Payne was also to the fore, while Harris, who it is expected will shine as he did on the English tracks, continued to show improvement. Pither, the other scratch man who has been training on the track, went his distance at a hot pace, and put in a couple of sprints in which he fairly surprised the field. Among the handicap men Wootten and Freeman showed prominently, but the former, just as he was finishing, met with a piece of bad luck. He was ending a fast sprint, and at one of the corners he collided with another rider, falling heavily and cutting his legs and body severely. In all probability, however, he will ride on Saturday. Graeme and Phelan put in some excellent work, and as both have a good man attending to them they should not be unsuccessful. O'Brien, the Parramatta man, who starts from scratch, is reported to be in excellent form, and his riding on the local track is very favourably spoken of. All the officials have been notified of their duties, and they will obtain their badges on application at the league rooms at No. 420 George-street. Competitors who have not got their numbers and the tickets for their attendants are asked to call at the same place.

The fourteenth annual meeting of the Redfern Bicycle Club was held in the Redfern Town Hall on Tuesday evening. Mr. T. C. Newman, vice-president, occupied the chair. There was a large attendance of members of the club. The secretary, Mr. E. C. Griffith, submitted the annual report, which was of an exhaustive nature. The work of the season had included 11 monthly races, and in addition the members of the club had been successful in securing the majority of races held during the season by the Cyclist Union and kindred clubs. Only one road race took place over the usual Botany course, but on this occasion it was a distance of 20 miles. F. H. Shenstone was the winner, and his time was 69 minutes 40 seconds. J. Hayes, the scratch man, did the course in 65 minutes 48 seconds (club record). Messrs. Cameron and Selby made a tour down the South coast, through Bega, Bombala, &c., returning through Goulburn, covering a distance of 750 miles. Mr. W. J. Robinson (another club member) made a tour through the Northern districts, via Newcastle, &c., to Kempsey and back, covering a distance of over 400 miles. The number on the members' roll is 82. The club runs have also been very successful, an average attendance of 21 was attained. The treasurer's statement showed a credit balance to the race fund of £43 16s, and to the general fund of £8 17s 6d. The report and balance-sheet were adopted. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—President, Mr. F. W. C. Crane; vice-presidents, the Mayor of Redfern (Alderman Parkes), Alderman G. W. Howe, Mr. J. F. Rugg, Mr. T. C. Newman, Mr. Sid. J. Wyatt; captain, Mr. J. C. Cameron; sub-captain, Mr. W. J. Bright; deputy sub-captain, Mr. T. Grills; bugler, Mr. J. D. Starkey; reporter, Mr. G. W. Pulford; hon. treasurer, Mr. A. Allen; hon. financial secretary, Mr. J. J. Meagher; hon. secretary, Mr. E. C. Griffith; committee, Messrs. G. A. Richardson, F. Landau, R. Quodling; auditors, Messrs. G. W. Pulford and A. E. Selby; delegates to the N.S.W. Cyclists' Union, Messrs. F. W. C. Crane, G. A. Richardson, J. J. Meagher, J. C. Cameron, E. C. Griffith.

RICHMOND, Thursday.

A bicycle club has been formed and officers elected.

CRICKET.

The annual reunion of the managers and secretaries of the various life, fire, and marine insurance companies transacting business in Sydney was held at the Sydney Cricket Ground yesterday, when a cricket match, Australasia v. The World, was played. It was won by the representatives of Australasia by an innings and 26 runs. The scores were: The World, 81 (W.S. Forbes 31) and 37; Australasia, 174 (C. T. Metcalfe retired 40, P. Chapman 37, C. Danvers 30). Luncheon was served in the members' pavilion, some 50 gentlemen being present. The chair was taken by Mr. Richard Teece (Australian Mutual Provident Society), Mr. J. St. Vincent Welch (Commercial Union Assurance Company) occupying the vice-chair. The chairman in appropriate terms proposed "The Day We Celebrate," and the vice-chairman proposed "Insurance Interests."

The North Sydney Veterans met the Lyceum Theatre Eleven on the North Sydney Oval on Thursday, the 12th instant, in a friendly game of cricket. The local representatives were the first to bat, and were not disposed of until they had succeeded in making 160 runs, of which number J. Deane made 61, C. Quist 47, H. Deane not out 19, and Coggins 15. For the visitors Musgrove took three wickets, Rice two, Elliott and Hall one each. The Lyceum representatives then commenced their innings, and succeeded in scoring 91 runs for the loss of seven wickets, those securing double figures being Ford 39 and Elliott not out 28. For North Sydney Veterans the most successful bowlers were S. Redgrave four, Sampson two, and H. Deane one. The game resulted in a draw.

FOOTBALL.

The Grosvenor Crescents II. held their meeting on Tuesday night. Mr. T. Pert was in the chair. The following officers were elected:—Captain, Mr. G. Reddington; vice-captain, Mr. B. George; hon. secretary, Mr. G. Pearson; hon. treasurer, Mr. H. Bell; selection committee, Messrs. T. Pert, T. Whetton, and W. Neal.

LAWN TENNIS.

The following matches in connection with the Sydney Lawn Tennis Club's captaincy are to be played before the 19th instant:—H. R. Crossman v. C. L. Mackenzie, L. Oaden v. A. H. Windeyer, D. Webb v. S. Tiley, P. Colquhoun v. R. M. Kidston. Fox, Wright, Hughes, and Rice have byes.

The entries for the double championship of the Sydney Club close on Saturday next.

THE LAWN TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

Rain fell during most of the lawn tennis tournament to-day. The matches played were not numerous, but mostly important. In the Singles Championship, R. G. Bowen, the ex-champion, beat J. G. Murray, a Gawler player, 6-[illegible], 6-4, 4-6, 6-0; while W. D. Halcomb beat W. A. W. Lang, 3-6, 7-5, 6-2, 6-3. In the Mixed Doubles, Miss Parr and W. Lang beat Miss Kingsborough and W. Angel, 6-1, 6-0. Several minor matches were also played.

SWIMMING.

The East Sydney Club held a 440 yards interclub handicap at the Natatorium last night, and it resulted as follows:—A. Phillips (Balmain), 45 seconds, 1; H. Smith (Nautilus), 32 seconds, 2; M. Gordon (Londi), 23 seconds, 3.

PIGEON SHOOTING.

A competition for a lady's bracelet is advertised to take place to-day at the New South Wales Gun Club's grounds, Botany.

AMUSEMENTS.

HALLEWELL GLEE CLUB.

Mr. Hallewell entertained the members of his Glee Club and several musical friends at the Royal Hotel, Randwick, on Wednesday evening. The Glee Club sang a number of glees and part-songs during the evening, including "Hail, Smiling Morn" and "Hark, the Lark," and Mendelssohn's part-songs, "The Nightingale," "Farewell to the Forest," and the "Hunting Song." Several of the company also contributed selections. Miss Louie Galvin sang "Kate of the Dee" and "The Lost Chord"; Mrs. Perry, Solveig's song and "Sognai"; Mrs. Nicoll, "Douglas Gordon"; Miss Carroll, a contralto song; and Mr. E. J. Fulton, "Come, Gentle Sleep" ("Ivanhoe") and "Take a Pair of Sparkling Eyes." Mr. Hallewell, who was in excellent voice, sang "Give a Rouse" and a new song by Mr. Sydney Hoben. Messrs. F. Truman and Vollmar also contributed to the entertainment, which closed with the singing of Bishop's glee, "Sleep, Gentle Lady."

MISSIONS TO SEAMEN.

On Tuesday evening a concert was given at Trafalgar House by Miss Chambers, when the following contributed to an enjoyable evening:—Miss F. Chambers, Miss Amy Simpson, Miss Chambers, and Miss Campbell, Messrs. H. Kahn, Browne, Mushman, and W. Campbell. Miss Amy Simpson quite charmed the audience with her rendering of "Rory O'More" and "The Wood-nymph's Call." Mr. H. Kahn's violin playing of "The Legende" and "Mazurka" was enthusiastically received. The Misses Chambers and Miss and Mr. H. Campbell played piano duets. Mr. Cleft of the Siren, and Mr. King also sang. Miss Chambers was the accompanist.

OPERA HOUSE.

Mr. George Dean, who has done good work in Australia both in comic opera and on the variety stage, will take his farewell benefit under Messrs. Cogill Brothers' management at the Opera House to-night. A special programme has been prepared in which [illegible] Miss Florrie Forde, Miss Edith [illegible], [illegible] E. A. Lambert, Mr. Wilfred Shine, [illegible] Roberts, the Mahers, the Fighting Kangaroo, [illegible] the aerial artist, and the entire strength of the Cogill Company, numbering in all some two score artists, will take part. Mr. Jack Deebles will sing, and the usual prices will be maintained.

BENEFIT CONCERT AT REDFERN.

Last evening a concert and social gathering was held in the Redfern Town Hall, under the patronage of the Mayor and aldermen of Redfern and branch 170 of the Hibernian A. C. Benefit Society, for the purpose of assisting the family of the late C. O'Sullivan. The programme was a lengthy one, and the various items were well received by a large audience.

NATIONAL SWIMMING ASSOCIATION.

THE OBJECTS OF THE ORGANISATION.

A public meeting in connection with the recently-formed National Swimming Association of New South Wales was held last evening in the vestibule of the Town Hall for the purpose of furthering the aims and objects of the association. The chair was occupied by the Mayor of Sydney (Alderman I. E. Ives), and about 50 or 60 persons, including several ladies, were present.

The Mayor, in opening the meeting, said that he felt sure that the association would commend itself to the public, as its aims and objects were worthy of the sympathy of the people. He had received the following telegram from the Premier of South Australia:—"The State schools here teach swimming where water is available. Last four months 378 boys and girls taught to swim. Expenses £30 per annum." That telegram would speak for itself. It was very important that the young should be taught to swim, and, as he had just shown, the expense in connection with their instruction was very small.

Dr. Hodgson, president of the association, moved,—"That the great loss of life by drowning urgently calls for a means to minimise the evil." He said that although the association had only been established a few weeks it had already an influential committee. Referring to the objects of the association, he said that it was proposed to establish free baths where young people could in safety learn to swim, to promote the teaching of swimming in all schools, to teach those who could not swim the best way to act and the best means to adopt in cases of unexpected or accidental immersion, to familiarise swimmers with the best means to adopt to render the greatest help to persons in danger of drowning, to instruct the public at large in the usual means employed in restoring animation in those apparently drowned, to particularly encourage long-distance swimming, and to give the public gratuitous exhibitions of natatorial exercises. He felt that it was a national disgrace that, with our 160 miles of harbour frontage, the number of baths could be counted on the fingers.

The Hon. D. O'Connor, M.L.C., seconded the motion. He said that one Government had given a valuable estate at Randwick for horse-racing, a subsequent Government had given a very choice garden to cultivate and perpetuate the national pastime of cricket, and he ventured to think that the objects of that meeting would change the intention of the present Government, and that the Premier, who was a gentleman of patriotic ardour, would recognise the splendid aim of Dr. Hodgson and his worthy colleagues by making a grand grant for the encouragement of swimming.

The resolution was unanimously carried.

Mr. A. B. Weigall moved,—"That this meeting pledges itself to support the National Swimming Association in its endeavours to effect such an object." He said that they as Australians must recognise, however reluctantly, that the physique of the growing population of Sydney was certainly not improving, and it was, therefore, a duty of the community to develop wholesome and respectable exercise. The want of proper bathing accommodation in Sydney could not be too strongly emphasised.

Mr. Frank Grimley seconded the motion, which was carried.

Mr. J. H. Rainford moved, and Mr. H. Hains seconded, and it was carried,—"That this meeting requests the association to frame a code of suggestions to submit to the Government and municipal authorities for their consideration."

On the motion of the Hon. D. O'Connor a vote of thanks to the Mayor for presiding was carried by acclamation, and the proceedings then closed.

Yankee Doodle.—Dixson's first quality semi-dark tobacco increased 106 per cent. last year.—[Advt.]

DEPUTATIONS.

THE UNEMPLOYED AND PUBLIC WORKS.

A large deputation, which included the Hon. B. Backhouse, M.L.C., and Messrs. M'Gowen, Cann, Whiddon, Brown, Willis, Thomas, M's.L.A., Dr. Rosslyn, Mr. George Withers, and Mr. Medway Day, waited upon the Premier yesterday and presented the resolution recently passed at a meeting held at the Protestant Hall. The resolution was in these terms:—"That owing to the pitiful distress on the one hand and the vast undeveloped resources of the colony on the other, we, the citizens of Sydney, in public meeting assembled, consider it absolutely necessary that the Government should immediately take action to promote works of a national character, especially the establishment of a comprehensive system of water conservation and irrigation, also the construction of light lines of railway in connection with some equitable scheme of settlement on the land, thereby conferring a benefit on the whole community, increasing the production of the colony, and absorbing the unemployed."

The Premier said that the programme put before the meeting was one every word of which he heartily concurred with. He was pleased to find the unemployed promulgating sound and rational ideas, and asking the Government to do things which the Government really ought to have done long ago. He thought that the small amount of work actually accomplished in regard to water conservation and irrigation was a reproach to any Government that had a sense of the duty cast upon it. It was a source of gratification to him that they had at last shaken off the eternal local wrangle. Having regard to the fact that during the three years 1890-1-2 a sum but little short of 10 millions was expended in public works, and during the three years 1893-4-5 only 1½ millions was expended, he was not at all surprised that they had had distress. It was a reproach to the colony that it should have any unemployed, but the fault was the fault of our laws and the fault of our administration in the past. Now, he wanted to distinguish himself, if he could honestly do so, by being a man of action. He had always complained against the past. Those who had held office in the past had choked people with words. Their ideas had been good, their principles had been good, and their motives had been good; but nothing had been done. The Government were in communication with certain gentlemen in the hope of securing without delay for the colony one of the best engineering authorities in the world to assist in connection with the adoption of a national scheme of irrigation. (Hear, hear.) A national scheme should take into account climatic conditions and conditions of gravitation. His own impression was that they required a gentleman who had had experience of India or Egypt, perhaps of both countries. Possibly they might want a man from California, too. He was thoroughly with the deputation in their advocacy of light lines of railway. He approved of the proposal to establish irrigation settlements in various parts of the colony. The effect of that would be not to interfere with private enterprise, but rather to lead it. The Government was now pushing on with the western suburbs sewerage scheme, and that would employ a considerable number of men of all trades for several years to come. He thought it would be a good idea to extend the railway via Condobolin to the Adelaide border. When Parliament met he thought they would find that the programme would include in the way front measures of the kind they had suggested.

THE RABBIT QUESTION.

A deputation, consisting of Messrs. J. C. Watson, Thos. Fitzpatrick, and J. G. Carroll, M's.L.A., waited upon the Minister for Lands yesterday morning, and presented the following resolutions, which were passed at a meeting of farmers and graziers, held at Temora on the 25th January last:—"1. That in the opinion of this meeting immediate steps should be taken to deal with the rabbit pest. 2. That the Government be petitioned to bring in some short bill to compel all landowners in rabbit-infested districts to lay poison around their holdings at the same periods, and the Government attend to Crown lands. 3. That this meeting condemns the system of erecting barrier fences on the grounds that they are too expensive and being almost useless. 4. That the resolutions carried at this meeting be forwarded to the members for the districts represented by those present, for presentation to the Minister."

The Minister in reply said that in regard to the second resolution there was a great diversity of opinion on the subject of poisoning rabbits. A man might poison all the rabbits on his holding; but if he had a large tract of Crown land, like the Pilliga Scrub for instance, adjoining his holding he would find that the rabbits were as bad as ever. If the Government had to clear those tracts of Crown land from rabbits, they would have to go to England for a loan to meet the cost. These lands could not be dealt with by poisoning, they would have to be fenced in. The experience of other colonies and of the rabbit conference was to the effect that poisoning was not effective as a means of getting rid of rabbits. Barrier fences alone, as a means of protection, were nearly useless; but they were a great check. The rabbit-proof fencing system was very valuable, as it enabled a man, when he had got his land fenced and cleared, to rest on his oars. He thought it would pay a man better, if he had a good block of land, to rabbit-proof fence it at once and get it free of rabbits, rather than be everlastingly worried with the pests. A bill had been prepared, and what he proposed to do was to divide the whole colony up into districts, and let each district deal with its own rabbits by whatever means it thought best, under a local governing board. At first the local Stock and Pastures Board, with some Government representatives, would be the local governing bodies, but if any district was dissatisfied it could petition for the removal of a board, and get another. He might add that the railway authorities had been asked to make special rates for the carriage of rabbits coming in from, and wire netting going out to, the country.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

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Custom House.—Cleared outwards: March 12. Chingtu, [illegible] 2260 tons, Captain H. Innes, for Hongkong, via Brisbane; Lord Canning, ship, 1382 tons, Captain R. Brown, for Newcastle; Mount Kembla (s.), 718 tons, Captain Agutter, for [illegible], via Newcastle and Port Kembla; [illegible], schooner, 2[illegible] tons, Captain C. Kaad, for South Sea Islands, via Levuka; Taluine (s.), 2020 tons, Captain I. [illegible], for W[illegible].

Captain [illegible] reports that the steamer [illegible] [illegible] the Richmond bar at 7.15 a.m. 11th March, and arrived in Sydney at 4.15 p.m. 12th. Experienced light [illegible] breeze to Seal Rocks, thence to port [illegible].

Captain H. Wood reports that the steamer Macleay crossed the Richmond bar at [illegible] a.m. on the 11th instant, and arrived in Sydney at [illegible]. Experienced fresh head wind and sea to Seal Rocks, light northerly winds and fine weather thence to arrival.

Captain Farrell reports that the steamer Electra crossed the Richmond bar at 7.15 a.m. of the 11th instant, and arrived in Sydney at 4.40 p.m. of the 12th.

Captain W. G. Hersee reports that the steamer Kanwarra left Eden at [illegible] a.m. on the 11th, called at Merimbula, Tathra, Bermagui, and arrived at the company's wharf at [illegible] p.m. on the 12th.

Captain [illegible] reports that the Gunga sailed from Hobart at 5.40 p.m. on Tuesday, rounded Tasman Island at [illegible] same evening, passed Maatsuyker Island at 7.45 a.m., Gabo Island at 11 [illegible] p.m. on Wednesday, Jervis Bay at 11.[illegible] a.m. on Thursday, and entered Port Jackson Heads at 6.15 p.m. the same day.

The Wairarapa, from Newcastle, yesterday arrived at Auckland. The [illegible] sailed from Napier for Clarence River.

Captain Pearson reports that the Chambers left the Tweed River at 5 a.m. on Tuesday, and arrived at Woolgoolga at 11 p.m., took in cargo, left again at [illegible] a.m. on Wednesday, arriving in Sydney at [illegible] p.m. on Thursday. Experienced strong southerly wind and heavy head sea, accompanied by rain squalls, from Tweed River to Smoky Cape, thence to Sydney light variable winds and fine weather.

THE MAIL STEAMERS.

The R.M.S. Mokoia left Port Said on the 11th for London.

[illegible] Duke of Buckingham [illegible] left Suez on the 11th for Australian ports.

THE HOWARD SMITH LINE.

[illegible]

THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY'S LINE.

The Taiyuan, bound from Hongkong to Sydney, passed [illegible] Heads at 2.20 p.m. yesterday, and is due here this morning.

THE TYSER LINE.

The steamship [illegible] left [illegible] on Tuesday, the [illegible] instant, for Melbourne and Sydney.

TRIAL TRIP OF THE FEARLESS.

[illegible]

ISLAND TRIP OF THE STEAMER ARCHER.

Captain Henry reports that the steamer Archer left Sydney 14th December, 1895, for Suva, Fiji, arriving [illegible] 21st. Took on board as passenger Mr. W. T. Campbell, the newly-appointed British Resident for the Gilbert and Ellice islands. Left Suva for Ellice Group [illegible] 11 p.m. 23rd December, arriving at Nukulaelae, the first port of call in the group, at [illegible] p.m. [illegible] 28th December. From there proceeded through the group, leaving Nanomea, the final port of call, in the Ellice Group, at 1 a.m. on [illegible] January. Experienced a strong westerly gale during the run through the group, lasting from the 30th December to the 3rd January. The missionary vessel John Williams was met with on the 3rd January, and was in company with the Archer for several days afterwards. On the 29th December Mr. R. Hird, the well-known supercargo of the Archer, died at Funafuti, from inflammation, and was buried the same day at Funafuti. Mr. Campbell, the British Resident, performed the last offices for the deceased, assisted by the London Missionary Society's native teacher and native church members. Mr. Hird's death is deeply regretted throughout the islands, where he was well known and highly esteemed. The Archer arrived at Apaiang, Gilbert Islands, on the 10th January, and from thence proceeded through the group. Landed the British Resident at Tarawa on the 20th January, and left for the Marshalls at 1 p.m. same day. Mr. Campbell's agent [illegible] a day in passing into the recent [illegible] ing of the Catholic mission station at Taputeouea. The Government buildings at Tarawa, consisting of the Commissioner's residence, police barracks, courthouse, and prison, are near completion. Mr. McGrath, the contractor, expecting to be able to hand them over on the 1st February. Spent a fortnight cruising through the Marshall Group, eventually taking final departure from Jaluit for New Britain, via Nauru, New Ireland, on the 14th February. Arrived at Nauru [illegible] Island on the 19th February, and Nusa, New Ireland, on the 25th February. Returned to Nauru [illegible] on the [illegible] March, and left that port for Sydney on the 2nd March.

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MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

THURSDAY EVENING.

The business of the day in the Stock and Share market was devoid of any prominent feature. The demand for shares continues moderate, and is being supplied at about the rates lately current. Government securities were steady at yesterday's quotations. In Banks, New South Wales further gave away ¼, while Australian Joint Stock and Commercial of Sydney were quitted at the previous prices. Deposits of the reconstructed banks also remain as before, business being done in Australian Joint Stock Bank. For Newcastle and Hunter River Steam an advance of 1½d was offered. Insurance shares were steady, though there was a buyer for United at an advance of 1d. New North Shore Gas rose 6d. Tooth's Brewery were quitted at 3d over the previous quotation, and Marshall's Brewery at last price. The buying quotations for Eagle Tobacco and Richardson and Wrench, Limited, were raised 1d and 3d respectively; and Haymarket and Australian Mutual Investment deposits gained a little strength on the day.

On the Sydney Stock Exchange the following sales were reported:—At 1 o'clock: New South Wales Funded Stock (Act of 1892), 109; A.J.S. Bank, 40s; Commercial Bank of Sydney, 20¾; Tooth's Brewery, 20s 3d. At 4 o'clock: Commercial Bank of Sydney, 20¾; Bank of New South Wales, 31¾; A.J.S. Deposits, 17s; Marshall's Brewery, 2s 10d. The closing quotations were:—

Company.	Capital paid up.	Amount of Shares.	Shares paid up.	Last div. per ann.	Last Sale.	Buyers.	Sellers.
	£	£	£	p.c.			
Funded Stock	[illegible]			4	109	108	109
N.S.W. Act 1892	[illegible]			4	112	110	
Ditto Act 1893	[illegible]			5	110	109	112¼
Ditto Deb., 1894	[illegible]						
Greenwich Deb., 4 p.c., 1933				4	105	104½	...
N.Z. Deb., 1896							
Colonial Sugar Deb., 1901				5	102¾	...	...
Due 1898	442,300				102½	...	...
Due 1897					102	...	...
Due 1901					104½	...	...
Due 1914				5	102½	103	...
Mort's Dock, due 1898	...				...	...	...
BANKS.							
Australian J. S.	1,065,238	10	7½	4	40/	38 6	41
City	210,000	10	8	5	90	80	92
New Issue	100,000	10	8		80	82 6	85
Com. of Syd.	1,000,000	12½	12½	6	20¾	21	20¾
Ditto		12½	12½				
Bnk. of Aust.	1,515,941	10	6¼		12 9		
Do. Preference	305,780	10	10	5			
N.S. Wales	1,915,500	20	20	9	31½	31¼	31¾
Ditto, New					34¼	31	
Ditto, Rights					*42 6		
Q'land National	783,021	6	5¼	3			
Royal of Q'land	365,000	5	5	2½			
Union	1,500,000	75	25	5	26	25	26
Com. of Aust.	1,840,941	10	6¼				
Ditto, Prefer.	2,314,340	10	10	...	50		
DEPOSITS.							
A.J.S. Bank, Negotiable	6,315,000				17/	17/	17 3
Ditto, due 1897					18 6		
Inscribed	894,141				13 6	13 6	
Q'land National					15/	15 6	
E.S. and A.					13 9	13 6	
Ditto, Inscribed	2,021,985				10 3	11 6	
Ditto, Debentures	1,017,248				14 9	14 3	
Ditto, Terminable	891,504				18 3	17/	
Com. of A. 1894	5,775,779				16 9		
Nat. of Aust.	5,098,460				19 7½	19/	
STEAM.							
Newc. and H. R.	100,000	1	1	6	13 9	13 4½	14
North Coast	127,740	1	17 6	6	14	13 9	15
Illawarra	56,000	5	3½	8½	80	80	
N.S. Ferry	60,000	1	1	10	43 6	41	44
Port Jackson	60,000	5	3		1 6		
INSURANCE.							
A.M. Fire	25,000	1	5	23½	16/3	16	17/
City M. Fire	15,000	1	2	10	2 4	2 4	2 6
Mer. Mutual	18,750	1	2 6	25½	6 6	6 3	7
New Zealand	250,000	10	2	15	71 6	62 6	70
United	62,500	10	2½	12	76	74	
Ditto, New	5,725	10	2 8	12½	18 6	17/	19
GAS.							
Australian	681,798	6	6	9	15¼	15¼	15¾
City Goulburn	10,000	1	1	15	39 6	40	
North Shore	84,420	1	1	6	24/	24	
Ditto, New						3	
Manly	15,000	1	1	7	20	19	
Grafton	8,000	1	1	8	21	20	
Newcastle	25,125	2	2	12½		*2 6	37 6
Mudgee	8,000	1	1	7	17 3	15 6	
BREWERIES.							
Australian	90,000	1	1	5	11 9	...	12/
Castlemaine and Wood Bros.	[illegible]	1	1	7	19	18 10½	19 3
Marshall's	80,000	1	15		2 10	2 10	2 11
[illegible]	[illegible]	15	15	10	15 6		
Tooth's	[illegible]	1	1	7	20 3	20	20 3
MISCELLANEOUS.							
Aaron's	17,500	15	10	5	4 3		
Col. Sugar	1,600,000	20	20	10		26	
Ditto £10 paid	1,875	20	10		15¼		
Dalgety and Co.	1,000,000	20	5	8	91	94	
Emu Gravel	4,000	1	1	2½			16
Eagle Tobacco	35,500	13	15		4 2	4 2	4 4
Hudson Bros.	150,000	10	10				
Richardson and Wrench	40,000	1	1	5	7 9	7 9	8
[illegible]	[illegible]	1	1	5	3 6	3 5	3 9
Syd. Exchange	[illegible]	1	1			16	17
Syd. Hydraulic	[illegible]	1	1	7½	16 9	15	
Syd. Tramway	45,000	1	1	5	16 3		
Ditto Tramway	5,000	1	1	5		5	5½
Ditto Tramway	15,000	1	1	50	9¼		
[illegible] Supply	15,500	1	1	7½	13¼		
[illegible]	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
INVESTMENT AND FINANCE.							
Mont de Piete	72,630	1	1	10	20/	28 6	
Perp. Trustee	25,000	5	2 6	4	2 2	2/	2 3
[illegible]	25,000	10	5	6		8 9	9 6
Perm. Provident	115,525	20	20	6	14½		12 6
Syd. & Sub. Dep.					12 3		
Syd. Freehold	18,750	1	7 6		8/	7 9	8 6
Haymarket Dep.					19		
Investor Land Dep.							
Aust. M. Inv. Dp.					161		13

* Due 1st November, 1896.

News from the London wool sales continues satisfactory, the market remaining strong at the highest point yet reached for several years past. This may be said to be all the more gratifying because it occurs with only a brisk European demand. Possibly if American buyers, who are said to be doing little or nothing, were operating, a still higher range of prices might be seen. Doubtless they will come in later on, perhaps when there is a disposition to flag on the part of other buyers, and thus give steadiness if it does not impart a further advance to the market later on. This, it will be remembered, was what occurred in a recent series of sales, when one section of buyers who had held off at the beginning came in and upheld prices towards the close. While British trade continues so active as the late Board of Trade returns show it to be, we may, at any rate, look for a strong market. At the end of January Australian wools in the United States were selling better in sympathy with the higher English market; but it was said by Bradstreet's that most sales were below the parity of cost in London. American wools could be had at comparatively lower prices.

At the Sydney wool-salerooms to-day small catalogues aggregating 2176 bales were offered. There was an eager desire to buy. Sellers, however, did not accept the best bids in all cases, and a third of the catalogues was withdrawn. But much wool was sold privately, and including lots that were not catalogued the aggregate of sales reported amount to 2818 bales.

There is an acceleration rather than a decline in the business of gold company promotion in Western Australian mines. No fewer than 12 new companies have been announced on the London market in the first 10 days of March, with capital exceeding one and a half millions sterling, and issuing shares to the amount of £1,200,000, as compared with an issue of £785,000 in January and £1,526,000 in February. At no previous time was the business more active than at present, investors having apparently quite got over the panic caused by the "slump" in Kaffir shares in October last year. As some one remarked to-day, the expenditure must be taken as a kind of return for the gains which England has made through the fall in prices at the expense of Australia. But if the continent is to have the money, a much more satisfactory use of it to us as well as to the investor could be found by its employment in some other way.

The continuance of the price of silver over 31d per ounce for some time past represents a stronger market than was anticipated a year back. And this is all the more surprising because even the little stimulus expected on the termination of the China-Japanese war from the demands of the Governments of the two countries has not been received. As a matter of fact, at latest mail date there was no large buying by either one or the other. Japan took a certain amount of silver from India; operating carefully, however, to prevent the market rising unduly against itself. The speculation that occurred in view of this contingency came to naught. Nevertheless, the market appears to have been not only upheld but actually strengthened from other considerations. For one thing the limitation of the output of the metal noticed for some time past seems to have become more pronounced. The *Engineering and Mining Journal* of New York gives the production of the United States for 1895 at about nine million ounces less than in 1894, while that of the Broken Hill mines was probably three to four millions short. Unless there was some unknown increase in the output in other places, the decline would of course help the market. The *Statist* makes the statement that considerable orders of silver had been placed for France, probably in connection with its Tonquin colonial requirements. Further, the United States holders, it is said, were keeping back the metal for higher prices, in the belief that before long silver would become the real standard of value in their nation. If so, it is argued the Indian mints will be reopened, and there would be a sharp rise in the metal. Undoubtedly if there is any extensive holding back of silver on account of such a contingency there is great risk. Until a new President is elected in March next, there is no likelihood of President Cleveland doing anything that would imperil the gold standard. And even then it is doubtful whether the silver interests are strong enough to force the free coinage that would doubtless end in the silver standard. If it did, of course, the speculators will stand to make some profit, but, if not, the accumulations of silver that will be made in the meantime will create risk of another "slump" such as occurred on the repeal of the Sherman Silver Act, perhaps more pronounced, for the holders would not be so strong as the Government, which keep off the market the silver bought under that law, and would probably be forced to sacrifice their metal. Even though the quantity bought would be much less than the purchases of the Government, the necessity to sell, as in the case of the copper syndicate some years ago, could hardly fail to send down the price very greatly. It is noteworthy that in the United States a hopeful feeling as to the future of silver lies in the continued increase of gold production. That is what *Bradstreets'* says. But how any probable increase in the output of gold is likely to lift silver, unless the white metal become the standard in America, or is used in some way more largely in the currencies of the world, it is difficult to see. Of course if the increased demand for trade requirements, now to some extent being met, extended in any degree, an important factor in upholding the market would be created. It may be noticed that though there has been a rise in silver of 3½d per oz., or about 12 per cent., since this time last year, it is not a greater advance than has occurred in wool and some other articles which have risen in consequence of the improvement in trade. It would be satisfactory to our Broken Hill interests if the present prices are really due to no speculative holdings. But the whole business seems to be surrounded with as much doubt as ever it was before.

At the half-yearly meeting of the Bank of New Zealand, in Auckland, the Hon. W. W. Johnston, who presided, said that for the half-year ended the 30th September the result was a profit, and they had hardly then begun to reap the benefit of the changes and improvements effected. The purchase of the business of the Colonial Bank had so far proved to be satisfactory, and that business has been retained almost in its entirety, and it was hardly possible that any bank could acquire such a valuable business at a less initial cost. They considered that ample funds were retained to meet possible losses, and altogether that the bank's future will be much benefited by this important transaction. The few trading concerns which remained to the bank had done unusually well for the half-year; no chance of parting with these concerns would, however, be lost, and they were in treaty to dispose of more than one of them. Considerable difficulty had been experienced, and much time had been taken up in endeavouring to terminate, on reasonable terms, the expense of the Bank of New Zealand Estates Company and the Auckland Agricultural Company, both of which were costly to maintain. Negotiations had reached such a stage that they had every hope of getting these companies speedily wound up. The bank's legitimate business was being well maintained at every point. Every effort would be made to cut off connection with the comparatively few remaining things that could not be classed as proper banking, and they had in these efforts been fairly successful. One of the most important subjects dealt with by the bank legislation of last session was the authority conferred on the directors to issue preferred shares to the value of half a million sterling, and bearing a fixed cumulative dividend of 3½ per cent. per annum. This authority had been utilised, and preferred shares for that amount had been issued to her Majesty as the property of the colony in exchange for debentures payable in London of a like amount and yielding a similar rate of interest. These debentures were worth more than their face value, and could readily be disposed of at a premium, but any premium so obtained must, in accordance with the Act, after payment of expenses, be set apart as a reserve fund. He regretted that legal difficulties had arisen in the way of having the inscription of New Zealand Government stock in London transferred to this bank, but these had now so far been surmounted. The prospects of the colony were bright, and with their realisation the bank's business would doubtless go on to improve.

IMPORT MARKET.

Stagnation, no less acute than that noticed yesterday, again prevailed in the Import market. There was a continuance of that lack of really wholesale sales which has been so characteristic of the last two months' trade. Country orders pour in steadily by each mail; but they are generally more numerous than bulky. Breadstuffs were without material alteration. Sugar remained firm as heretofore, prices being unchanged. The tea sales passed disappointingly, for although the small quantity of Ceylons offered were all quitted at full rates, Chinas, of which the bulk of the catalogue consisted, suffered almost entire neglect at buyers' hands. Groceries and liquors moved off very quietly. The new Tasmanian hop season is now receiving some attention, but it is yet too early to pass any definite expression of opinion as to quality. Hardware met with but little inquiry, fencing wire alone being asked for in any quantity. No. 6 was in request for railway purposes. Sheepshears also sold fairly well. Good parcels of woolpacks changed hands, and ½d advance is now asked. Branbags showed a hardening tendency, a fair inquiry having set in from Adelaide for forward delivery. Kerosene strengthened somewhat; but other oils showed but little alteration, and chemicals were almost neglected.

In the breadstuffs market a quiet tone prevailed. New Zealand wheat is now offering freely, but buyers are holding off somewhat in the expectation of lower prices when larger quantities of grain come to hand. In local wheat there was very little business done, prices being nominally quoted at 4s 5d. It seems to be the general opinion that some brands of Californian flour now being placed on this market are superior to flour manufactured locally from Californian grain, this being no doubt due to a more suitable mixture being selected on the other side. This is borne out by the fact of M'William's flour being placed in Melbourne as noted yesterday. No change was reported in the intercolonial markets.

At the tea sale held to-day at the City Mart by Messrs. Fraser, Ramsay, and Co., 163 packages of Ceylons were offered, and practically all sold at from 4½d to 9½d. Chinas elicited no response from buyers, and out of the 1596 submitted only 100 were sold, at from 4½d to 5d. The Ceylons met with good competition, the abovenamed figures showing that the market was fully maintained. The auctioneers supply the following statement of the business done:—

Under instructions from Mr. R. T. Dennington:—Ceylon teas, ex s.s. Austral: 21 chests pekoe souchong, 7d; 29 chests broken pekoe, 8½d; 20 half-chests broken pekoe, 8½d; 11 chests broken pekoe, 8½d; 13 half-chests broken orange pekoe, 9½d; 5 chests broken pekoe souchong, 4½d.

China teas: 50 three-quarter chests pekoe-flavoured Panyong, 4½d; 50 three-quarter chests Chun Lok, 5d.

Apart from good sales of China sugar to arrive at £17 10s f.o.b., for transhipment to Melbourne, or equal to £22 17s 6d duty paid and delivered, there was not much business reported in the sugar market. Prices were fully maintained for all classes.

Groceries sold rather slowly. Fair trade parcels of Anglo-Swiss milk changed hands at agents' prices. With the new coffee season approaching the demand is improving. Sales have been carried through for good quantities of Ceylon ship assortments at full rates. Coffee is now quoted at from 12d to 12½, according to sample. 80 cases of Adam Black's pickles sold at 4s 9d f.o.b. for Queensland, and the same brand all-white onions 5s 3d.

Liquors were without material alteration as far as prices were concerned, and only a moderate amount of business was reported.

The season for Tasmanian hops is spoken of as likely to be a very good one. The quantity for export, however, will not be very great. The first early goldings which have come to hand are in many instances somewhat green, but the samples promises to be rich. When the more mature samples arrive in the course of a few weeks a great improvement in this respect is looked for. Sales have already been made at price withheld. Consequent on the great damage that has been done by storm in some districts to Victorian hops, a good demand is expected this season for the Tasmanian article.

Jute goods moved off with more freedom. Rather more than 250 bales of woolpacks changed hands at 1s 5d, and holders now ask 1s 5½d, stocks being somewhat concentrated. Quotations for branbags ex next vessel have been withdrawn, a better tone being anticipated. Cornsacks met with no demand.

Metallic lines were rather quiet. There was a good inquiry for T.W. sheepshears at 34s. A shade more was asked for B.B.A.; but the former brand are getting a firm hold on the market. Ten tons of No. 8 fencing wire sold at usual rates. Several truckloads of Nos. 8 and 10 were placed at £7 5s and £7 10s respectively. Galvanised iron met with a fair inquiry at quotations. Tinplates moved off very slowly. Six cases of galvanised iron plates were quitted at £17 5s, while fair parcels of wire nails sold at 10s 9d for assortment.

Small sales of kerosene were made. Some holders ask ½d higher rates, that is 9d to 9½d in bond. 100 cases of China, ex Taiyuan, moved off at a slight concession. Linseed and castor were without alteration.

The Customs revenue received at Sydney to-day amounted to £4758. The principal items were:—

Spirits, £1586; wine, still, £137; wine, sparkling, £17; ale, porter, and beer, in bottles, £10; tobacco and snuff, £92; cigars, £171; cigarettes, £75; sugar, unrefined, £80; sugar, from refinery, £100; dried fruits, £174. Specific duties: Candles, £27; cement, £10; confectionery, £27; galvanised iron, £28; glucose, solid, £25; jams and jellies, £20; milk, preserved, £2; oil, kerosene, £470; salt, £15; colonial distilled spirits, £27; excise on tobacco, £200; excise on cigars and cigarettes, £50; excise on beer, £1267. Total, £4758.

EXPORT MARKET.

At Darling Harbour to-day 202 bales of wool were manifested, 22 arrived coastwise; and 41 bales were received by rail at Newcastle yesterday.

J. H. Geddes, Birt, and Co., Limited, report the receipt of the following cablegram from their London house regarding Australian meat:—"Hinds, 2½d; Fores, 1¾d; Mutton, 2½d. Trade is very bad."

The following private cables have been received regarding the London wool sales now proceeding:—

By the A. M. L. and F. Company, Limited, from Messrs. H. Schwartze and Co.:—"Lately telegraphed improvement has become still more marked. With the exception of extra super Port Phillip greasy, prices are higher as compared with closing rates of last series, ½d and 1d for grease. For crossbreds prices are firm."

By Messrs. Winchcombe, Carson, and Co.:—"The improvement telegraphed lately has become still more marked. For greasy merino prices are ½d to 1d higher as compared with closing rates of last series. Prices are firm for crossbred."

By the Union Mortgage and Agency Company of Australia, Limited:—"Market has upward tendency. Greasy merino combing, 5 to 10 per cent. above January rate."

By the Australasian Mortgage and Agency Company, Limited:—"Sales proceeding briskly. Attendance good. Market very firm. Home and foreign demand active. Since January prices have advanced to extent of fully 10 per cent., except for super Victorian, which is little changed."

COMMERCIAL TELEGRAMS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.)

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

There is no change in the breadstuffs market.

AUCKLAND, Thursday.

In Dunedin oats the quantity arriving is very small, but as nearly all the Australian markets are overstocked the demand for shipment is very limited. Prime feed and milling, 1s 8½d to 1s 9d; medium, 1s 7½d to 1s 7¾d; inferior, 1s 4½d to 1s 5½d.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

About 7000 bags of wheat sold in town at 5s to 5s 1d; country sales are being made at equal to 5s 1d. Medium barley sold up to 4s 2d. Oats are quiet. Maize, 3s 8d. Peas are in good inquiry at 3s 9½d to 3s 10d. Chaff, £4 5s to £4 7s 6d. Potatoes are firmer at £3. Onions, £5 5s to £5 10s. 500 half-chests common congou sold at 4d to 4½d; 400 light-weight Panyongs at 6d. Currants, 4¾d. Sultanas, 5½d. Cornsacks, 4s 1d f.o.b.; bran bags, 4s 6d.

A good market continues for all leading investment stocks. Metropolitan Board of Works 5 per cents. sold at £109 15s, 4½ per cents. at £108 10s, and 4 per cents. at £106 10s; Mount Lyell 6 per cents., £200 10s; Colonial Bank of Australia, preference, 80s; Commercial Bank, preference, 45s; Commercial Bank deposit receipts, 16s 7d; London Bank deposit receipts, 17s 6d; Equity Trustees, 6s 6d, 6s 9d; Broken Hill Water Supply, 13s 9d, 14s; Mutual Store (a small lot), 39s; Silverton Tramway (a small lot), £5 4s 6d; Sydney Hydraulic, 16s 6d; Melbourne Tramways, 12s 3d.

THE PRODUCE MARKETS.—THURSDAY.

TRADE IN SUSSEX-STREET.

The markets still continue to have a dull tone. The volume of business to-day was of a small character, and movements in prices were generally in buyers' favour. The maize market was again weaker and unsettled, with prices irregular. At an auction sale held to-day 290 bags of new maize were sold under the hammer. The quality of the maize was inferior, with a few fairly good samples, which were rather soft. Prices realised ranged from 1s 1d to 2s 3d. No business was done in prime old maize at the railway, prices for such being nominal. Queensland samples were quitted at 2s 7d to 2s 8d, and prime old new river was quoted at 2s 6d per bushel. Oats, in sympathy with maize, were a shade easier. There was no change as regards the demand or prices of forage lines. Only a moderate demand was reported for potatoes. Onions were dull of sale at easier prices. In dairy products there is nothing of importance to record beyond a better demand for eggs.

PRODUCE-GRAIN MARKET.

The following are the quotations:—

Maize.—Prices easier. River old, nominal; Queensland, 2s 7d to 2s 8d; River maize, prime new, 2s 6d per bushel.

Oats.—New Zealand: Prime, 2s per bushel.

Cape Barley.—Quoted at 3s to 3s 2d; English, 3s 10d per bushel.

Peas.—Prime blue, 4s 3d to 4s 6d; grey, 4s 6d per bushel.

Checkwheat.—Prime whole samples, 3s 10d to 3s 11d; secondary, 3s 3d to 3s 6d per bushel.

BREADSTUFFS.

The associated millers' price for new flour is £10 5s to £10 15s; Californian is quoted at £9 to £9 10s per ton. Intercolonial wheat is nominal; local wheat is nominally 4s 5d; California wheat is quoted at 3s 10d to 4s; New Zealand wheat, to arrive, at 3s 10d to 4s per bushel.

BRAN AND POLLARD.

Both these articles were in moderate demand at late prices. Each was quoted at 8d to 8½d per bushel.

FORAGE MARKET.

The current quotations are:—

Hay.—Local oaten, in bond, prime, £5 to £5 5s; medium, £4 5s to £4 10s per ton.

Straw.—Local: Dull. Derrick pressed, £2 15s to £3; Tasmanian and New Zealand, £2 15s. Local: Bundled, £2 10s to £3 per ton.

Chaff.—Plentiful. Moderate demand. Adelaide, £4 15s, prime £5; Tasmanian, primest £4 10s to £4 12s 6d, off quality from £3 15s upwards; Victorian, prime £4 12s; New Zealand, prime £4 5s to £4 10s. Local: Prime, £4 15s to £5; medium, £4 7s 6d to £4 10s; inferior, £4 per ton.

Lucerne.—Hunter River: Prime, scarce, £2 15s; extra green, £2 17s 6d; medium from £2 to £2 10s. Railway: Prime green, £3 to £3 5s; medium, £2 5s to £2 15s per ton.

POTATO MARKET.

Potatoes.—Plentiful. Circulars, prime, £5. Local, prime, £3 10s to £4 per ton.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Onions.—Slow demand; £6 per ton.

Honey.—Garden honey, 3d; bush honey, 2d to 2½d per lb.

Beeswax.—Choice, 1s to 1s 1d per lb.

Lard.—Finely rendered, in bladders 5d; bulk, 4½d per lb.

DAIRY PRODUCE.

To-day's closing quotations were:—

Eggs.—Good demand. 1s 6d to 1s 7d per dozen.

Butter.—Plentiful. Prime butter in good demand; off quality hard to sell. Finest creamery, 9d; factory, 7d to 7½d; dairy, 6d; pastry, 6d. Berrima finest creamery 9d, best factory 7½d; South Coast and West Camden quote best creamery 9d, factory 7½d. Berry creamery, 9d per lb.

Cheese.—Plentiful. Moderate demand. Prime, 6½d; medium, 5½d to 6d; New Zealand, 6d to 7d per lb.

Bacon and Hams.—Hand-cured, good supply, slow sale, 7d; machine, 6d to 6½d; farmers' lots, 5½d to 6½d; choice, 5d; local hams, out of cloth 9d to 9½d, in cloth 9d per lb.

Poultry.—Fowls, 2s to 3s; young roosters 3s 6d, chickens 2s to 3s 6d; ducks, 3s to 3s; Muscovy ducks 4s; geese, 5s to 6s; turkeys, cocks 6s to 12s, hens 4s to 6s per pair.

Wood.—At the Darling Harbour auction sales to-day a good supply was forward. The demand was good at late prices. Foot-wood, good 9s 6d to 12s 3d, inferior 7s to 8s; bundles, good 9s to 10s, inferior 7s to 8s; billet, good 7s 6d to 9s 6d; green, 6s 6d to 7s 6d; baker's, split, good, 7s 6d to 9s 6d; large, 6s 1d to 7s 3d per ton.

REDFERN SALES.

A very small supply of forage was offered at auction at the Redfern Railway Terminus Produce Markets this morning. The demand was fairly brisk, and prices in all instances were as last reported.

Appended are the proportion of the various descriptions actually submitted at to-day's sale:—Chaff, 4 trucks; hay, 2; lucerne, 2; pumpkins, 4; maize, 1; and watermelons, 1.

The number of trucks manifested this morning was 39, being apportioned as follows:—Chaff, 15; hay, 9; straw, 4; green, 1; maize, 3; melons, 2; pumpkins, 7; and wheat, 2.

Among the consignees were:—Messrs. Hill, Clark, and Co., Robert Little and Co., Dent and Perry, Ellis and Co., J. Bridge and Co., Heaton Brothers, Inglis and Son, H. M. Suttor and Co., Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, and John W. Gray and Co.

The above supplies were disposed of as follows:—

Chaff.—From Elliott, Kelso, (truck No. 21) 4s 2d, and 2528, 4s 2d; Jones, Millthorpe, (2934) 4s 4d per cwt., and Williams (225) passed.

Hay.—From Johnson, Goulburn, (6285) 4s 11d; and Douglas, Liverpool, (864) 4s 2d per cwt.

Lucerne.—From May, Mulgrave, (5642) 1s 9d; Rutter, Windsor, (4886) 1s 9d per cwt.

Maize.—From Woodbridge, Gundaroo, (94) passed.

Pumpkins.—From Leggett, West Maitland, (6950) 1s 4d; Rutter, Windsor, (5465) [illegible]; Kleine, Richmond, (5092) 3s 7d, preserving melons 2s 5d; Hough, (5833) 3s 1d; and Adams 2s per dozen.

Watermelons.—From G. Shields, Richmond, (5033) 3s per dozen.

FRUIT MARKETS.

Business in the fruit trade at the Bathurst-street markets this morning, as is usual on Thursday, was rather quiet. Eating pears were plentiful and prices easier. Choicest sorts were quoted up to 10s per case. Cooking sorts were difficult to sell at 2s to 2s 6d per gin case. A moderate demand was reported for plums at a fall of 6d per case. Quinces were firm at 3s 6d to 4s per gin case. A fair inquiry was noted for grapes. Choice black Hamburgs sold at improved rates. About 1½d to 2d was the highest price quoted. Other kinds of fruit remain as last reported. A few extra choice watermelons realised from 5s to 6s per dozen.

FAT STOCK SALES.

THE HOMEBUSH YARDS.

At the Homebush fat stock sales yesterday 26,235 sheep were penned to a strong attendance of buyers, including shippers and the Sydney Meat Preserving Company, who bought as freely as present high rates allowed, and although values were not up to Monday's extreme prices, market ruled very firm at last Thursday's quotations, good and prime lots of sheep being better represented than of late, meeting with brisk competition, and although the tail end of the market, which closed at a very late hour, was fluctuating and unsettled, values generally must be regarded as very satisfactory. Lambs were in heavy supply, good quality predominating; but prices naturally showed a decline on late values. Quotations: Prime to extra crossbred wethers, 10s 5d to 11s 10d, medium to good 8s 4d to 9s 6d; extra prime merino wethers, 9s 9d to 10s 2d, prime 8s 3d to 9s 2d, good 7s 3d to 8s, medium 6s 3d to 6s; extra prime crossbred ewes, few to 13s, prime 9s to 9s 9d, medium 7s 4d to 8s; prime merino ewes, 7s 3d to 7s 6d, good 6s 9d to 6s 9d, medium 5s 3d to 5s 9d; prime lambs, 7s 6d to 8s 1d, good 6s 6d to 7s, medium 4s 6d to 5s 6d. 567 cattle were yarded, including a fair proportion of cows and 50 calves. The quality generally was only medium, good yards of bullock being scarce. There was a fair attendance of the trade, and although market opened rather dull, sales soon improved as they progressed, anything good being in strong demand, closing values being very firm at Monday's rates. Quotations: Best pens of bullocks, £6 6s to £6 10s; odd beasts to £6 15s; medium pens of bullocks, £5 to £5 10s; lower qualities from £4 5s; good pens of cows, £3 10s to £4; medium, £3 to £3 10s; lower qualities and calves at proportionate rates.

Messrs. Joseph Leeds and Co.—2 crossbred wethers for T. W. Bond at 10s 1d, 25 wethers at 9s, 144 at 8s to 8s 11d, 21 crossbred wethers at 8s 8d, 5 crossbred ewes at 7s 9d; 124 wethers for J. M'Kay at 8s 9d, 420 at 8s 3d to 8s 3d, 335 ewes at 7s 4d, 103 lambs at 7s 6d; 197 wethers for J. Warren at 8s 5d to 8s 9d; 8 ewes for H. G. Vincent at 6s 11d, 3 lambs at 7s, 53 at 5s 7d to 5s 9d; 19 wethers for J. Dalton at 7s 9d, 95 ewes at 6s, 118 lambs at 6s 7d to 6s 10d; 533 wethers for Drummond Brothers at 6s 10d to 7s 1d; 42 ewes for B. J. Bowler at 6s 11d, 38 lambs at 5s 8d; 433 wethers for Cobb and Co. at 7s 8d to 7s 5d; 110 wethers for W. Smart at 8s 6d; 100 wethers for Whitmee Brothers at 7s 1d to 7s 3d; 202 wethers for N. Powell at 6s 5d, 2 lambs at 6s 1d; 76 wethers for Western agents at 6s 9d, 11 stags at 6s 6d, 116 ewes at 5s 11d, 3 lambs at 7s, 23 at 6s 9d, 21 wethers at 6s 2d, 30 ewes at 5s 9d, 64 lambs at 5s 3d to 5s 7d; 18 wethers for F. S. Vincent at 8s 6d, [illegible] for C. O. Parker at [illegible]; 12 wethers for J. Bellamy at 7s 7d, [illegible]; 14 lambs at 4s 9d; 6 steers for J. M'Manus at £4 5s, 1 heifer at £4, 6 calves at 46s, 4 at 28s.

Messrs. Wilkinson and Lavender.—103 wethers for the Billiwa Pastoral Company at 8s 8d, 391 at 7s 9d; 185 wethers for A. Smith at 9s 10d to 10s 2d, 807 at 8s 7d to 9s 1d; 20 wethers for T. W. Hammond at 8s, 64 at 6s 11d, 14 ewes at 6s.

Messrs. Henderson Bros.—90 crossbred wethers for Jungeline station at 11s 10d to 12s, 544 crossbred at 10s 5d to 10s 6d, 38 crossbred at 9s 6d, 11 crossbred at 8s 11d.

Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Limited.—4 crossbred ewes for Jas. Mitchell at 13s, 21 at 9s 9d, 54 wethers at 8s 7d; 790 wethers for J. J. Garry at 8s 11d to 9s 2d; 200 wethers for L. J. Dargan at 9s 10d to 9s 2d; 2 wethers for W. A. Ellis at 10s 5d, 57 at 8s 9d to 9s, 45 ewes at 7s 3d, 1 wether at 6s 7d; 104 wethers for W. Webb at 7s 11d to 8s; 620 wethers for Dangar Brothers at 7s 9d to 8s 1d; [illegible] wethers for R. Shiller at 7s 9d; 101 wethers for Dalhunty and Co. at 7s 10d; 3 crossbred wethers for T. Foley at 8s 1d, 35 wethers at 7s 11d, 25 crossbred wethers at 7s 7d, 34 crossbred ewes at 6s 10d, 3 ewes at 5s 7d; 2 crossbred wethers for J. Le G. Jacob at 9s 5d, 75 wethers at 7s 7d to 7s 9d; 281 wethers for J. Hawson at 7s, 55 wethers at 6s 7d, 2 stags at 7s 3d; 51 wethers for W. A. M'Cauley at 6s 1d, 25 crossbred ewes at 5s 11d, 9 ewes at 5s 2d; 155 wethers for Hon. E. Coombes at 6s 4d, 52 crossbred ewes at 5s 5d, 2 crossbred wethers at 8s 10d, 76 at 6s 1d, 5 ewes at 6s 2d; 64 wethers for H. Horton at 5s 9d to 5s 11d, 40 ewes at 5s 9d, 5 hoggets at 8s; 5 lambs for Dangar Brothers at 6s 5d; 10 lambs for James Mitchell at 6s 2d; 20 lambs for J. Le G. Jacob at 5s 5d, 8 at 5s 3d; 36 lambs for W. A. M'Cauley at 5s 6d; 2 lambs for L. J. Dargan at 6s 11d; 89 lambs for Dalhunty and Co. at 4s 5d to 5s 1d, 18 at 6s 3d; 1 lamb for Hon. E. Coombes at 5s 7d; 120 lambs for F. J. Doust at 5s 3d to 5s 8d; 11 lambs for H. Horton at 4s 7d; 10 bullocks for Northern agents, averaging £5 15s; 70 bullocks for J. and R. Winten to £5 11s, averaging £5 0s 9d, 48 cows to £4, averaging £3 16s 9d.

Messrs. Hill, Clark, and Co.—413 crossbreds for J. Winter at 9s 7d, 5 Lincoln wethers for J. J. Sullivan at 10s; 20 Lincoln hoggets at 8s to 8s 7d, 87 crossbreds at 8s 2d to 8s 5d, 42 crossbreds (seconds) at 7s 7d; 371 wethers for B. Crowe at 8s 4d, 48 crossbreds at 8s, 77 wethers at 8s 11d; 100 wethers for Dwyer Brothers at 8s 5d; 6 crossbred wethers for A. B. M'Kenzie at 7s 8d, 2 crossbred rams at 7s 10d, 21 ewes at 6s 1d, 212 wethers for W. S. Bootes at 7s 7d; 22 crossbreds for R. Stewart at 8s 2d, 50 wethers at 7s 7d, 22 ewes at 5s 11d; 475 wethers for S. Beveridge at 7s 3d to 7s 4d; 4 crossbred wethers for Palmer and M'Phillamy at 8s 1d, 80 wethers at 7s 3d to 7s 5d, 31 at 6s 8d, 4 hoggets at 6s; 57 wethers for Cope and Phillips at 6s 11d, 30 ewes at 5s 5d; 132 crossbred hoggets for Bolaro Estate at 6s 5d to 6s 6d, 26 crossbred ewes and hoggets at 6s 9d, 71 hoggets at 6s 2d; 172 wethers for estate late R. Gasson at 7s 1d to 7s 5d, 118 (seconds) at 6s 5d, 42 ewes at 6s 3d; 133 wethers for A. Clements at 7s 4d, 57 crossbreds at 6s 9d, 11 wethers (seconds) at 6s 11d; 91 wethers for Meale Brothers at 7s 4d, 116 ewes at 7s; 177 wethers for C. F. Walker at 5s 6d; 8 sheep for James Ward at 6s 1d; 55 wethers for John Baker at 5s 9d, 195 ewes at 5s 1d, 102 lambs for Palmer and M'Phillamy at 7s 9d to 7s 5d, 5 at 5s 1d; 9 lambs for Bolaro Estate at 6s 1d; 113 lambs for estate late R. Gasson at 5s 6d to 5s 7d; 83 lambs for A. B. M'Kenzie at 7s 10d to 8s 1d; 17 lambs for James Ward at 6s 5d, 35 at 4s 9d to 4s 10d; 45 for John Baker at 4s 2d to 4s 5d; 3 lambs for H. Matthews at 6s 10d, 84 at 4s 2d to 5s, 30 at 4s 10d; 50 lambs for John Flood at 4s 4d to 4s 11d, 1 at 7s, 1 lamb for J. J. Sullivan at 9s 6d, 14 at 6s 6d, 17 at 5s 10d, 5 at 4s 9d; 20 bullocks for C. Davis, sen., to £6 10s, averaging £6; [illegible] bullocks for F. Jackson to £6 6s, averaging £5 [illegible]; 11 bullocks for F. Crossing at £5 17s; [illegible] bullocks for George Baker to £5 14s, averaging £4 6s 2d, 21 cows £4 1s, averaging £3 1s 9d; 10 bullocks for George [illegible]berland to £5 13s, averaging £4 13s 9d; 2 bullocks for A. Amos at £4 8s, 10 cows at 3s 1s.

Messrs. William Inglis and Son.—200 ewes for A. M'Kinnon at 6s.

Messrs. Maiden Brothers sold 1 wether (crossbred) for Rose Brothers at 13s 9d, 80 (merino) at 9s 9d, 158 at 8s 11d to 9s, 86 ewes (merino) at 7s 3d; 6 wethers (Lincoln) for R. W. Webb at 12s 3d, 5 ewes (Lincoln) at 8s, 5 wethers (merino) at 7s 9d, 5 stags at 7s 9d; 79 wethers for J. Oates at 9s 1d, 31 (seconds) at 7s 8d, 102 ewes at 7s; 801 ewes for D. Hoach at 7s 6d, 47 wethers for C. Webb at 7s 3d, 154 ewes at 6s 5d; 455 ewes for P. Kiley at 7s 4d, 40 (second) at 6s 10, 15 wethers at 7s 2d; 47 wethers (culls) for Hon. R. H. Roberts at 7s 10d; 102 ewes (culls) at 6s 1d, 200 wethers for Wanoo Station at 6s 10d to 6s 11d, 6 wethers (crossbred) for J. H. Gleeson at 8s 8d, 9 (merino) at 7s 8d, 56 ewes (crossbred) at 7s 10d, 26 (crossbred) at 7s 11d, 21 merino at 6s 10d, 5d wethers for F. Harrison at 6s 10d, 56 ewes at 5s 10d; 214 wethers for D. Campbell at 6s 2d, 90 ewes for J. Seiler at 8s 5d; 65 wethers for executors J. M'Clintock at 6s 11d, 77 ewes at 5s 6d, 45 ewes for R. W. Murray at 5s 1d; 9 lambs for R. W. Webb at 8s 2d, 12 at 6s 9d, 55 (shorn) at 6s 9d, 16 shorn at 6s, 8 lambs for J. H. Gleeson at 6s 10d, not 6s 7d, 11 lambs for D. Campbell at 6s 1d; 133 lambs for C. Webb at 6s 3d; 51 lambs for C. W. Murray at 6s 1d, 10 at 6s 2d; 44 lambs for F. Harrison at 6s 7d, 18 lambs, hoggets, for J. Seiler at 5s 7d; 55 lambs for exe. J. M'Clintock at 4s 8d to 5s 10d, 20 at 4s 4d; 2 bullocks for S. J. Barber at £6 10s, 9 at £5 8s.

Messrs. Weaver and Perry.—76 wethers for W. J. Denmead at 7s 9d, 109 ewes at 6s 11d, 9 lambs at 5s 6d; 23 bullocks for Jas. Heverden to £6 1s, averaging £5 17s; 10 bullocks for Stuart [illegible] to £5 5s, averaging £5 0s 2d; 22 bullocks to £6 1s, 10 cows to £4 10s, averaging £4 11s 3d.

Messrs. J. C. Young and Co.—21 bullocks for D. Jurd to £5 10s, averaging £5 5s 7d, 1 (cripple) at £3 10s, 5 cows at £4; 20 bullocks for A. Collins to £5 10s, averaging £4 13s 4d; 15 bullocks for J. Keys to £5 5s, averaging £4 6s 4d, 1 (cripple) at £3 10s; 56 wethers for Mrs. M. Gordon from 7s 1d to 7s 5d, 28 ewes at 6s 6d; 25 ewes for Chas. Boyd at 7s 4d, 20 shorn bred ewes at 6s 10d, 86 wethers at 8s 2d, 72 lambs at 5s 8d; 461 wethers for R. G. Taylor from 7s to 7s 1d, 45 (seconds) at 6s 4d; 18 crossbred ewes 7 and wethers for C. Corry at 7s 3d, 14 ewes at 7s 1d, 26 wethers from 6s 6d to 6s 8d, 11 lambs at 7s 9d; 10 wethers for Southern agents at 6s 4d, 273 ewes at 6s 8d, 2 hoggets at 6s 1d, 60 lambs at 6s 3d; 21 wethers for W. Henderson at 7s 8d, 34 ewes at 6s 6d, 16 lambs at 5s 10d, 33 ewes for J. Roden at 5s 2d, 26 hoggets at 5s 2d, 25 lambs at 4s 1d, 25 at 4s 7d.

Messrs. H. S. Suttor and Co.—2 crossbred wethers for F. Cotton at 8s 5d, 10 merino wethers at 7s, 298 ewes at 6s, 10 wethers for J. J. Hugheston at 6s.

Messrs. Warden Harry Graves and Son.—52 calves for R. Sainsbury, jun., to £1, averaging 17s; 67 crossbreds wethers for C. L. Griffith at 10s, 25 Lincoln crossbred ewes at 8s 9d, 161 merino wethers at 9s 2d, 146 at 8s 8d; 104 crossbred wethers for Alest Brothers and Co. at 8s 7d, 81 at 7s 9d to 7s 9d, 105 crossbred ewes at 7s 4d, 242 at 7s; 121 wethers for Mackay and Copland at 8s 2d, 261 at 8s 4d to 8s 5d; 8 crossbred ewes for J. H. Spiller at 8s 3d, 4 wethers at 8s 7d, 19 merino wethers at 7s 8d, 7 ewes at 6s 9d, 163 at 6s 2d; 11 crossbred wethers for North Brewarrina estate at 8s 4d, 228 merino wethers at 7s 3d, at 7s, 22 ewes at 6s; 2 wethers for James Ewan at 6s 9d, 34 ewes at 5s 11d, 4 double-fleece hoggets at 7s 9d, 19 crossbred hoggets at 6s 6d, 8 at 5s 3d, 40 crossbred lambs at 6s 2d, 41 at 5s 8d; 4 wethers for I. Moore at 6s 2d, 75 ewes at 5s 3d to 5s 5d, 5 lambs at 5s 1d, 14 crossbred lambs at 4s 11d, 15 hoggets at 6s 11d; 90 wethers for C. Moore at 6s 1d, 61 ewes at 5s 1d.

Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Limited.—40 bullocks for Burrawalbyn Station to £1 16s, averaging £4 12s 11d; 39 cows for Northern agents to £3 19s, averaging £3 10s 9d; 1 cow for J. Lydd at £2 5s, 2 calves at £1 4s; 64 wethers for J. M. Parkinson at 9s 7d, 98 at 9s 6d to 9s 7d, 29 [illegible] at 7s 6d, 509 ewes at 7s 11d, 45 crossbred wethers for J. Alexander at 9s, 9 crossbred ewes at 7s, 11 wethers at 7s 7d; 757 wethers for J. W. Manchee at 9s 2d to 9s 4d, 107 at 7s 4d, 8 culls at 6s 9d, 46 wethers for J. Carter at 9s 5d, 9 at 6s 9d, 3 stags at 6s 9d, 50 crossbred ewes at 7s 6d, 3 crossbred wethers at 7s, 15 ewes at 6s 7d; 34 crossbred wethers for T. O'Shea at 7s 2d, 69 wethers at 6s 4d; 453 wethers for E. M. Bowman at 6s 1d to 6s 2d, 68 ewes at 6s, 17 wethers for W. Goldsmith at 7s 9d, 1 at 6s 8d, 7 ewes at 6s 5d; 18 crossbred rams for [illegible] Wilkinson at 7s 2d, 4 stags at 6s 11d, 70 wethers at 5s 3d to 5s 8d; 5 ewes for M. Toomey at 7s, 17 at 5s 6d, 27 wethers at 6s 7d; 21 crossbred ewes for Grabben Plains Station at 6s 2d; 105 wethers for C. Jones at 6s 1d; 61 wethers for Charles Tom at 6s 9d; 9 rams for A. Prang at 6s 7d, 20 hogget rams at 5s 9d, 8 wethers at 6s; 75 wethers for J. Dillon at 6s 6d, 24 ewes at 6s 4d; 200 wethers for J. Moore at 6s 2d to 6s 4d, 71 ewes at 6s 9d; 200 ewes for J. Castleton at 5s 8d, 16 wethers at 6s 7d; 104 wethers for J. C. Cosburn at 5s 9d; 12 [illegible] and F. Guy at 5s 6d, 20 hoggets at 5s 4d; 12 lambs for M. Toomey at 7s 8d, 26 at 5s 10d; 6 lambs for J. W. Manchee at 7s 7d, 7 at 5s 9d; 121 lambs for E. and A. Westley at 6s 8d, 115 at 5s 11d; 10 lambs for J. Moore at 5s 9d, 12 at 4s 6d; 22 lambs for [illegible] and F. Guy at 5s 8d; 160 lambs for Charles Tom at 4s 8d.

SYDNEY WOOL SALES.

The Sydney Wool-selling Brokers' Association report that wool sales were held to-day (Thursday) at the Wool Exchange, Macquarie-place, when the quantity catalogued totalled 2176 bales, and the sales amounted to 2818 bales, as under:—New Zealand Loan and M. A. Co., Limited, offered 366 bales, sold at auction 273 bales and 17 bales privately, total sales 290 bales; Goldsbrough, Mort and Co., Limited, offered 471 bales, sold at auction 279 bales and 67 bales privately, 71 bales uncatalogued, total sales 417 bales; Hill, Clark and Co. offered 140 bales, sold at auction 116 bales and 51 bales privately, total sales 167 bales; The Pastoral Finance Association, Limited, offered 405 bales, sold at auction 285 bales and 95 bales privately, 138 bales uncatalogued, total sales 528 bales; J. C. Young and Co. offered 83 bales, sold at auction 73 bales and 15 bales privately, total sales 88 bales; Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Limited, offered 871 bales, sold at auction 451 bales and 366 bales privately, 511 uncatalogued, total sales 1328 bales.

Catalogues to-day for the most part included a mixed and irregular selection, faulty wools forming a very large proportion of the offerings. A few superior lots of scoured wool were the chief exceptions to a dull uniformity of inferior quality. The saleroom was well attended by buyers, considering that we have now almost reached the quietest portion of the year. Under the influence of inspiriting news from Europe, competition was very strong, and the comparatively high level of prices already established was fully sustained. As compared with the sales of a fortnight ago, a slight enhancement of values, more particularly in the scoured section, has undoubtedly occurred. Notwithstanding continued reports of advances cabled from London, so far as can be judged from the prices obtained for clips realised there, it is not to be doubted that the full parity of London values is readily forthcoming here. In the greasy section the highest price of the day was 9½d, which was secured for a small parcel of CC over TV, from Cassilis. Two small Queensland consignments, marked SE over Camoola and JR over Darling Downs, each brought 8½d, as did also KT over Mossgrove, from Inverell. Of WHA over New England, from Armidale, a lot of wool showing good quality, but somewhat heavy, 20 bales hoggets, wethers, and ewes brought 8½d. In scoureds, which for the first time since last winter formed the greater half of the catalogues, Wapweelah, from Bourke, a particularly good wool, giving evidence of care and knowledge in the get up, the fleece portion being well skirted, and the prices carefully sorted before scouring (the wool was bright, fine, sound, and shafty, and free as far as the fleece is concerned), 6 bales of first combing made 16½d, 5 bales of clothing 15d, and 5 bales of first pieces the record price for several years of 15½d. Coolootai, from Tenterfield, and scoured at Dundee, a wool of splendid quality and beautiful colour, sold to 15½d, bellies of this mark making 13½d, another record price for the season. HA over Bellagrove, from Bourke, a light bulky wool of very good colour, made 13½d. A little lot from Warialda, marked MD over Carbeen, sold at 14½d, a farthing more being secured for a small line from Warialda, marked YH over O.

Among the more noteworthy parcels which changed hands may be mentioned the following:—Greasy: SE over Camoola, from Rockhampton (Q.), 5 hoggets at 8½d; JR over Darling Downs, from Toowoomba, 11 hoggets, wethers, and ewes at 8½d; Willeroon over E. S. Hall, 10 A wethers and ewes at 7½d; CC over TB, from Cassilis, 5 first at 8½d; — over 1, from Wallangra, 12 at 8d; JP from Monaro, 15 at 6½d; DK over Dunsola, from Glen Innes, 8 hoggets and ewes at 6½d; RB over Sydney, from New Caledonia, 10 at 6½d; SM, from New Caledonia, 10 at 6½d; WW over W, from Warren, 25 hoggets and ewes at 6½d; 13 first pieces hoggets and ewes at 5½d; AM, from Forbes, 6 ewes (crossbred) at 6½d; F&B over BD, from Monaro, 7 hoggets, wethers, and ewes at 6½d; YH over O, from Warialda, 14 wethers at 7d; JHD over W, from Tamworth, 19 wethers at 8½d; FB over Barraba, 14 at 7d; 8 over AM, from Mudgee, 18 at 7½d; AKT over Mossgrove, from Inverell, 12 ewes and wethers at 6½d; HD over Silver Hill, from Merriwa, 5 at 8d; W M'T, from Michelago, 9 at 8d; RW over Darkwood, from Merriwa, 17 at 7½d; JP over Warne, 13 hoggets, wethers, and ewes at 6½d; DM over —, from Narrabri, 20 wethers at 6½d; JP (conjoined) K, from Cooma, 11 at 6½d; ISD, from Goulburn, 10 at 6½d; HT over Cooma, 79 at 5½d; RSR, from Cowra, 16 hoggets and ewes at 6½d; O over MC, from Guyra, 11 at 7d; R, from Goulburn, 36 at 6½d; JTT over MM, from Laggan, 10 at 7½d; WK, 15 at 7d; EK over Kellee, from Merriwa, 27 at 6½d; J over OR, from Cootamundra, 10 at 7½d; JR over Grogan, 12 at 7½d; RR over N, 12 at 7½d; J over DN over Grogan, 29 at 7½d; J over DN over The Grove, 18 at 6½d; J. Morrow over Cullinga, 16 at 7½d; MG, 12 at 7½d; WG over Cootamundra, 19 at 7d; LD over Jugiong, 11 at 7d; MQ over Temora, 20 at 8d; AB (conjoined) in circle, 19 at 7½d; BC, 11 at 11d; HR in diamond, from Cooma, 17 at 6½d; H in diamond, from Tasmania, 9 at 7½d; J, from Cootamundra, 18 ewes and hoggets at 8d; JC over C, from Cootamundra, 17 wethers and ewes at 7½d; WHA, over New England, from Armidale, 20 hoggets, wethers, and ewes at 8½d; R over AM'M, from Eugowra, 16 dead at 3½d. Scoured: H over Moombie, from Forbes, 13 locks at 7½d; Coolootai, from Inverell, 5 AA super combing at 15½d, 6 B clothing at 13½d, 11 C clothing at 12½d, 10 bellies at 13½d; Getta, local, 17 first combing at 12½d; HJ over Tilpa, local, 84 super at 14½d; B over Eurie, from Liverpool, 20 AAA at 10½d; B over B, local, 12 first pieces at 11½d; JS, local, 46 first combing at 12d; C over Morvale, local, 30 super combing at 15½d; HH, local, 14 first combing at 12½d; Goolong, local, 30 super combing at 13½d; TWE over Ashwell, 20 hoggets, ewes, and wethers at 13½d, 12 pieces at 14d, 5 necks at 14½d; AM over GT over New England, 10 first combing at 14½d; RT, 28 super at 13½d; Wapweelah, from Bourke, 6 first combing hoggets, wethers, and ewes at 16½d, 5 first combing and second clothing at 15d, 5 first pieces hoggets, wethers, and ewes at 15½d; JPC over Avymore, from Moree, 11 second at 13d; HA over Bellagrove, from Bourke, 19 at 15½d; Heart in triangle over Gwydir, 11 bellies at 10½d; A, 17 first combing at 12½d; MCH over Yass, 31 at 11½d; Mulga, local, 24 first combing AA at 11½d; RU over A, 30 super at 14½d; VPX, 10 AAA at 10½d, 25 pieces at 8d, 32 AA wethers at 10d; MJ, 16 AA at 8½d; AB, 27 bellies at 9½d; WW over B, 10 super at 14d.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

HUNTER RIVER FARMERS' PRODUCE SALES.

WEST MAITLAND, Thursday.

The supply of produce at the Hunter River Farmers' weekly sales, held at West Maitland on Wednesday, was exceedingly large. Lucerne hay was specially noticeable, the recent warm weather having been very favourable for pressing; prime lots made up to £2 12s 6d, and inferior quality was sold at 35s. The demand for onions was active from £8 to £12, and potatoes were steady at from 3s 9d to 5s 6d per cwt. Eggs realised 11½d to 13½d, and the poultry market was brisk, fowls making from 2s 6d to 4s 6d per pair. Wheaten hay made to 70s, and prime maize 3s 3d to 3s 6d.

MAITLAND HIDE AND SHEEPSKIN SALES.

WEST MAITLAND, Thursday.

There was an excellent attendance of buyers at the Campbell's Hill hide and sheepskin sales yesterday. Hides were in light supply and were rather dull of sale, quotations being slightly below the prices which ruled last week. Best heavy stocks made from 15s to 19s 9d, good 11s to 13s, medium quality 8s to 10s, light and inferior 5s to 7s, yearling skins 2s to 4s 6d, calfskins 4d to 1s 3d. The supply of sheepskins was a little larger than that offered at recent sales. Competition was active throughout, and sales closed firmly at late rates. Best heavy skins made from 4s 6d to 5s, good conditioned lots realised from 3s 6d to 4s 2d, medium quality sold from 2s 6d to 3s 3d, and inferior sorts were quoted from 1s to 2s 3d; cross-woolled lambskins made from 2s 9d to 2s 6d. Best cow tails realised 5½d per lb., ditto washed, 10½d per lb.; horsehair, 13½d per lb.; and hoofs, 30s per ton.

MAITLAND FAT STOCK SALES.

WEST MAITLAND, Thursday.

At Campbell's Hill fat stock sales to-day, large supplies of cattle were yarded to a moderate attendance of buyers. Competition was fairly active. Last Monday's values for prime quality were fully maintained. Light medium lots were only saleable at reduced prices. Best bullocks made £4 15s to £6; good-conditioned pens, £3 15s to £4 10s; light inferior, £2 15s to £3. Best quality cows, £4 1s; others, £2 5s to £3. Fat calves: Small supply. Competition active consequent on the advance on Monday's high rates. Best quality vealers made 3s to 45s; others had a ready sale at 15s to 25s. There was a large supply of fat sheep. The opening sales were dull, but as business proceeded biddings became more animated, and for prime quality the rates ruling at late sales were unaltered. Best crossbred wethers made 9s 6d to 12s; merino ditto, 8s 6d to 10s 6d; good, 7s to 8s 6d; light medium lots, 4s 9d to 5s 6d. Lambs were in excellent demand, best quality realising 8s to 7s. Tigs in small supply. Competition active. Improved prices realised for all descriptions. Large-size baconers were specially sought.

MINING INTELLIGENCE.

In the Mining market yesterday there was a little more business than on the preceding day. The feature was the rise in Broken Hill Block 10, the shares of which were quoted on Wednesday at buyer 83s, seller 85s. Yesterday this stock was quoted in the morning at buyer 82s 6d, seller 86s; but the price advanced at the close to buyer 88s 6d, without any declared seller. However, there were no reported transactions. Telegrams announced that the stock sold in Melbourne at the noon meeting of the Exchange up to 87s 6d. The rise is owing to the prospect of the new concentrating plant being started within a few days. Broken Hill Proprietary sold from 49s 3d up to 49s 6d, closing a shade weaker. Junction North had a slight improvement, selling up to 16s. North Central had exchange down to 1s 8d. There were several transactions in South Mount Lyell (Tasmania) at from 18s 3d to 18s 9d, and back to 18s, closing a shade weaker. Mount Lyell had buyers at £5 10s, but there were no sellers at that price. There was not much change in others. In gold companies' shares Occidental sold at 2s, Hannan's Victoria Cross at 10d, and Woodstock contributing 2s 1d, no others having reported business. Clark's Brilliant Worcester and Victory, Charters Towers, had a good advance on the strength of the report of an excellent crushing from the underlay shaft. Others were without any noteworthy change.

Sydney Stock Exchange.—The closing quotations were:—

	Buyer.	Seller.
COAL.		
Hetton	—	62 6
Stockton	4 6	5 6
Vale of Clwydd	6	—
Wallsend	25	25¼
Wiratah	56	62 6
Wickham and Bullock Island preference, £1 paid	21/	—
COPPER.		
Great Cobar	—	3 6
Lake George United	2 9	6 6
Nymagee	—	50
SILVER.		
Broken Hill	49 3	49 6
Block 10	86 6	—
Block 14	25	27
North	7	7 9
North Central	1 7	1 8
Junction	30	—
Ditto North	15/10	16 3
Pinnacle Group	—	2 9
Ditto Amalgamated	—	1 6
Mount Lyell	5/10/0	—
South ditto	17 6	18
GOLD.		
Band and Alb. Consols, Ballarat	8 3	9/
Brilliant Block, Ch. Towers	16	—
Brilliant St. George United, paid up	—	32

	Buyer.	Seller.
Baker's Creek	14/	—
Clark's Brilliant Worcester and Victory, Ch. Towers	8	8 4
Golden Zone	7 3	—
Great Boulder	6/8/0	6/15/0
Great Mercury	—	5/
Hannan's 17ct	—	5/
Hannan's Reward North	—	5/
Kelly's Queen Block	—	13
Lake View and Boulder East	68	60/
Maritana	12 6	14/
Mt. Charlotte Central	1 3	1 5
Mt. Drysdale	—	12 6
Mount Drysdale Prop.	1/	2
Mt. Gaban	3	3 5
New Bushman's	—	37
Occidental	1 10	1 11
Papuan, Ch. Towers	17 3	19/
Reefers' Eureka	—	2/
South Star, Ballarat	—	25
Sunlight	5 10	6 6
Ditto West, con.	—	1/1
Woodstock, con.	2 1	2 3

The following sales were reported:—Morning—Silver: Broken Hill Proprietary, 49s 3d; North Central, 1s 9d; South Mount Lyell, 18s 3d, 18s 6d, 18s 9d, 18s. Gold: Occidental, 2s; Hannan's Victoria Cross, 2s 10d. Noon—Silver: Broken Hill Proprietary, 49s 6d, 49s, 49s 6d; Junction North, 16s; North Central, 1s 3d. Afternoon—Silver: North Central, 1s 8d. Gold: Woodstock, contributing, 2s 1d.

The following telegram has been received by Mr. T. W. Butcher, of Pitt-street, from Mr. Alan B. Bright, secretary of the Clark's Brilliant Worcester and Victory Gold-mining Company, Charters Towers:—"Company crushed from underlie shaft 51 tons 8cwt. for 218oz. 5dwt. smelted gold.

At a special meeting of the Newcastle Wallsend Coal Company held at the company's office yesterday Mr. Josiah Mullens was elected a director in the place of the late Mr. W. B. Walford.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.)

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

Prices in the silver market were a little higher to-day. A good business was transacted in Western stocks, especially Hannans, Victoria Cross, Coolgardies, Rose and Shamrock, and Great Boulder, which sold at better prices. Sales: Proprietary 48s 9d, 49s 9d, and 49s 6d; Block 10, 87s, 90s; British, old, 12s 4½d, 12s 6d; North Central, 1s 9½d, 1s 9d; Junction, 61s, 61s 6d; North, 7s 1d, 7s 4d; Junction North, 15s 9d, 16s 6d; Baker's Creek, 13s 9d; Boulder North Extended, 3s; Boulder, £6 7s, £6 7s 6d, £6 8s 6d; Brownhill Junction, 4s 5d, 4s 6d; Block 45, 12s 6d, 12s 3d; Coolgardie, 46s 6d, 47s 6d, 47s 3d; Fortune of War, 1s 9d; Fraser South, paid, 3s 8d, 3s 6d; Golden Zone, paid, 7s 6d; Hannan's Eureka, 2s 6d; ditto Victoria Cross, 4s 1d, 3s 10d, 3s 11d; Ivanhoe, 26s 3d, 26s 6d; ditto South Extended, 2s 10d, 2s 9½d; Lake View, 59s; Lady Mary, 4s; Moon's, 2s; Maritana Centrals, 2s 17d, 2s 6d; ditto North, 3s 6d; ditto Extended, 2s 4d; Norseman con., 3s; Premier, 12s 9d; Rose Shamrock, 2s 6d, 2s 8½d, 2s 7d; Royal Mint Iron King, con., 11s; Three Colonies, 7s 2d, 7s; ditto Extended, 4s; Victory United, 4s 2d.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

The following sales were reported on the Brisbane Exchange to-day:—Queensland Goongarrie, 1s 6d; Queensland Menzies contributing, 15s 6½d.

The only sale reported on the Brisbane Exchange to-day was Queensland Menzies, contributing, 13s 11d, 14s 9½d.

COBAR, Thursday.

Mining enthusiasm has quietened down a little, all the ground being pegged out.

The copper mine was completely lighted by electricity to-night, Miss Longworth, sister of the manager, turning on the current.

CHARTERS TOWERS, Thursday.

The following sales were reported yesterday:—Band of Hopes, 17s 6d; Brilliant Central, 6s 6d; Brilliant Freehold, 7s 9d; Brilliant Extended, 1s; Pyrites, 10s 3d; Day Dawn Freehold, 2s 7d; Kelly's Queen Blocks, 10s; Lady Florence, 10½d; Millican's Caledonia, 2s 9½d; Papuan Brilliant Victoria, 18s 7d; Queen Cross Reef, 13s 1d; Victoria Block, 1s 11d; Day Dawn Australian, 4d; Golden Surprise, 2s 3d; Imperial, 2s 3d; Imperial No. 2 West, 4½d; Victoria and Queen, 13s 4d.

To-day's sales were—Kelly's Queen's Block, contributing, 10s; Lady Florence, 9½d; Millican's Caledonia, 3s; Queen Cross Reef, 13s 2d; Victoria Queen, contributing, 10s; Victoria Caledonia, paid, 4s; Victoria, 8s 3d.

GYMPIE, Thursday.

Mr. Thos. Smith reports the following sales:—No. 1 North New Zealand, 3s 11d; Phoenix No. 3 North, 1s 6d; Phoenix No. 2 South, 4d; Smithfield Golden Pales, 5s 10d. To-night's quotations: Columbia Smithfield No. 1 North, seller 1s 9d, buyer 1s 5d; Oriental Glanmire, seller 8½d, buyer 7d; Columbia Smithfield, seller 12s 9d, buyer 11s; No. 2 Great Eastern, seller 1s 9d, buyer 1s; Smithfield No. 1 North, seller 5s, buyer 3s 9d; Phoenix No. 1 North, seller 7s, buyer 6s; Eastern No. 1 North, seller 2s 9d, buyer 2s 8d; South Glanmire Monkland, seller 2s, buyer 1s 6d.

HOBART, Thursday.

Mr. Rhys Jones, who has returned from England, states that he has brought the Mathinna goldfield prominently under the notice of the investing public. Operations will soon be commenced at the old City of Hobart mine, where years ago £100,000 worth of gold was literally picked out, but systematic exploration was altogether neglected.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

Broken Hill silver companies had an improved market, the principal feature being a continued strong demand for Block 10 shares, which had a ready sale at 86s till 91s was touched, closing 89s 6d buyer. The late considerable advance in the market value of these shares (they were only 87s a week ago) has naturally led to rumours as to the cause of the rise, and it is generally ascribed to the prospect of an early increase in the dividends. There is no official intimation that such will be the case, but it should not be ignored that the erection of an enlarged plant estimated to treat 2000 tons of crude ore per week (product about 500 tons of concentrates) is about completed, and that preliminary trials are reported to have been satisfactory, that the experimental plant continues to yield a handsome profit on the ore treated; that for the next eight months large sums will continue to be received from the sale of dump ore; that the payable sulphide ores between the 315ft. and 615ft. levels were estimated in the last half-yearly report at over 1,000,000 tons; and that the price at which a calculation of profit was made has risen since from 10s 11s to £7 6s 3d per ton. Broken Hill Proprietary sold to fair extent at 49s to 49s 9d; Junction at improved prices of 62s; North Junction, 15s 7½d, 16s 6d; North Broken, 7s 6d, 7s 7½d. Mount Lyell (Tas.) had sales to fair extent at £5 17s 6d to £5 19s, closing firm. Sales of other contiguous companies were:—King Lyell, 1s 3d, 1s 1½d, and paid 2s 6½d, 2s 6d; Lyell Tharsis, 8s; South Mount Lyell, 18s, and paid up 18s, 18s 1½d; Comet had fair support at 9s to 9s 2d; Curtin Davis quitted at 8s. Of Western Australian gold companies Bayley's Consols sold at 1s 3d to 1s 4d, and Bayley's No. 1 South at 4s 6d. Business was of fair extent in Victorian gold companies. Band and Albion selling at 8s to 8s 9d. Berry Consols Extended, 20s; Central Plateau, 6s 10d, 7s 3d; Rokewood United, 1s 9d; Spring Hill Central, 10s, 10s 6d; Great Southern, 27s 6d, and No. 1 at 10s, 12s; M'Evoy, 1s 3d, 1s 4d; North Prentice, 19s; Wahgunyah, 5s 3d; All Nations, 1s 10d; Democrat, 8s 11d, 9s for paid-up; Great South Long Tunnel, 17s 9d; Landy's Dream, 3s 6d, 3s 8d, 3s 6d; Long Tunnel, £83; ditto Extended, £11 5s, and North 58s 3d; Derby United, 15s, Lord Nelson, 23s; Pride and Stringer, 6s 3d, 6s 1d.

TAMWORTH, Thursday.

Latest reports from Crow Mountain state that the Daddy claim is still on good gold, improving as the shaft is deepened. Another shaft has been sunk in the Daisy at Umara Creek, and it is intended to start driving to cut the reef. The prospects of this mine are considered to be excellent, and it is expected that it will ultimately pay handsome dividends. Good gold is showing in all the claims on Flanagan's reef, and these claims alone would find no difficulty in keeping a battery going if one existed. In the Great Boulder the shaft is now down 40ft. The leader is widening and showing gold freely in the rubble. Some of the stone which has been dollied also shows nice fine gold. There is a splendid show in the Brothers, the reef, which carries fine clear gold, varying from 2ft. to 4ft. in thickness.

WEST WYALONG, Thursday.

The owners of the Three Star claim are still in hard country, viz., solid granite, but they are continuing sinking. Steam was got up at Channon's battery to-day after a short interval of inactivity. Simpson and party to-day reached a depth of 150ft. in the Hard Cash claim, and will now drive for the reef at that level. They have at 75ft. already put in 130ft. of drives, but they are anxious to test the reef at 100ft. Conway and party are still in occupation of Nicholas and Reymond's battery. Promising stone is being procured in the Hill Top claim from the 150ft. level. Brierly and party, adjoining the Three Star claim, are getting some showing nice gold and also mineral. The White Reef claim still continues to show good stone. The Mallee Bull party, who have largely developed a reef carrying a considerable proportion of mineral, are about to crush.

DIVIDENDS.

The following dividends have been declared, payable on the respective dates named:—

The Baker's Creek G. M. Company, N.L., Hillgrove, March 18, 1s.

The Broken Hill Proprietary Company, Limited, March 18, 1s.

The Broken Hill Proprietary Block 10 Limited, March 16, 1s.

The Broken Hill Proprietary Block 14 Company, Limited, March 25, 1s.

The Broken Hill Junction, March 30, 1s.

CALLS.

Victory (Charters Towers) G. M. Company, March 31, 6d.

SALES OF FORFEITED SHARES.

Sales of forfeited shares, as advertised in the *Herald*, will be held as follows:—

The Band of Hope and Albion Consols, N.L., at Ballarat Mining Exchange, at 12.30 p.m., on March 14.

Maritana North G. M. Company, N.L., at Adelaide Stock Exchange, 11.30 a.m., March 30.

YIELDS.

GOLD.

Clark's Brilliant Worcester and Victory G. M. Company, Charters Towers, 61½ tons, 218oz.

South Star, Ballarat, 290 tons, 470oz.

The White Feather Reward, Coolgardie, 175 tons, 446oz.

The Golconda mine, Cue, 550 tons, 550oz.

MANAGERS' REPORTS.

Mount Charlotte Central Gold Mine, Kalgoorlie, W.A., February 22.—Since starting work on the 3rd February have made and put in shaft 100ft. of strong rough ladders. Am working with two shifts, and driving west to cut the [illegible] ironstone and quartz formation showing on surface. The drive has been driven [illegible] at the 100ft. level; ground very tight at starting, but improving. As we get in the country rock is getting more decomposed, and cheaper to drive, and think during the coming fortnight shall be able to make better progress. If the formation lives down shall cut it at about 60ft. from the shaft.

The Mount Drysdale Proprietary Gold-mining Company, No Liability, March 5.—All underground workings now free from water, and have not suffered in any way. The drive going east has been extended about 5ft., since being unwatered, and have now started to break ore in the end of drive, the payable portion of lode-stuff being about 5ft. wide, and prospects with dish very satisfactorily. Shall have about 15 tons stuff ready for treatment as soon as arrangements for crushing are completed with Drysdale Company.

The Victoria Gold-mining Association (Charters Towers), No Liability, fortnight ended February 28.—No. 12 level, S.E.: No. 12 S.E. level has been further extended 11ft., total length 91ft. In the face the reef is small at present; some nine bunches of stone have been passed through while driving. No. 7 level, S.E.: No. 7 level, S.E., has been driven 14ft., total length 314ft. The reef is a foot thick, medium quality. No. 4 level, N.W.: No. 4 N.W. level has been driven 12ft., total from shaft 328ft. Reef a foot thick, good mineral stone. No. 6 level winze: No. 6 S.E. level winze has been sunk 6ft., total depth 96ft., and broken through to No. 7 level. The reef will average a foot thick all through, but is rather white. The stopes over No. 12 level show some good stone in "bunches." Over No. 11 level the reef is good quality, about 18in. thick. Over Nos. 10 and 9 levels the average thickness is over a foot, good quality stone. Over No. 8 level there is also over a foot thickness of rather white quartz. Over No. 5 level the reef is split, but will, judging from appearances, soon come together again. The quality is fair. Over No. 3 level there is a foot of stone going very flat; its quality is only medium. Over No. 2 crosscut level the reef varies in size from 8in. to 12in. thick, its quality being fairly good. There are 20 stampers engaged on the quartz raised during the stoppage of carting, owing to the bad roads, but so far no clean up has taken place.

The Baker's Creek Gold-mining Company, N.L., week ended February 29.—The winze from the No. 10 to the No. 11 level has been deepened 8ft., total 76ft. The lode is 15in. wide, and carries a little gold. The crosscut into the footwall from the No. 7 level has been driven 20ft. 6in.; a small leader carrying gold has been cut, but is not yet opened upon. In the stopes at the back of No. 10 level, Smith's reef, north of No. 2 winze, the reef is 3in., poor gold; back of No. 10 level, Smith's reef, south of No. 2 winze, reef 3in., fair gold; back of No. 9 level, Smith's reef, north and south of No. 2 winze, reef 3in. to 4in., fair gold; back of No. 8 level, Smith's reef, south of No. 2 winze, reef small and poor; back of No. 8 level, Smith's reef, north of No. 1 winze, reef little fine gold; back of No. 6 level, Smith's reef, south of No. 1 winze, reef 4in., fair gold; back of No. 5 level, Smith's reef, north of No. 1 winze, reef 6in., and poor gold; back of 195ft. level, Smith's reef, 4in to 6in., medium gold; back of 125ft. level, middle reef, reef small but rich; big reef, back of No. 5 level, fair gold throughout; back of No. 2 level, reef 12in. wide, split up, with patches of fair gold; back of Nos. 6 and 7 levels, the reef is small and poor, and the country rock very hard.

The Broken Hill Proprietary Block 10 Company, Limited, week ended March 4.—Campbell's shaft: Pumping water, still being kept down below 715ft. level; pumps working [illegible] strokes per minute. 615ft. level: Sulphide stopes [illegible] producing ore assaying [illegible] silver, 25 per cent. lead, 17 per cent. zinc; those north of crosscut assaying [illegible] silver, 20 per cent. lead, 20 per cent. zinc. Kelly's shaft, [illegible] level: Main drive south driven 6ft., making 240ft. from No. 2 crosscut; face continues in hard [illegible] sulphides, assaying [illegible] silver, 20 per cent. lead, [illegible] per cent. zinc; stopes in back south rise producing ore assaying [illegible] silver, 21 per cent. lead, 26 per cent. zinc; those north of same point assay [illegible] silver, 24 per cent. lead, 27 per cent. zinc. 415ft. level: South stopes producing ores assaying 22oz. silver, 27 per cent. lead, 24 per cent. zinc. Concentration plant has worked 120 hours, treating 410 tons crude ore, producing 85 tons dewt. concentrates, containing 58 tons [illegible] lead, 2871 oz. silver. Ore despatched: 768 tons dewt. gross, containing 251 tons [illegible] lead and 27,035 oz. silver. New plant: The necessary parts of the pumps for returning the water having arrived from Fulton's, I hope to be able to start the plant towards the latter end of the coming week.

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TO THE LADIES OF SYDNEY.

The following are all HIGH-CLASS GOODS, and the Most Perfect Boots and Styles ever introduced to the Australian Public. Other Retailers cannot come within 50 per cent. of these prices:—

	s. d.
Ladies' (American make) Glacé Lace Shoe, pat. cap	7 9
Ladies' American make, All Glacé Kid Lace-Shoe	8 3
Ditto ditto (Extra Quality)	9 6
And the American Shoes that are selling in thousands at	10 9

TO THE GENTLEMEN OF SYDNEY.

	s. d.
Gent.'s Tan Bals., Gol., Sewn (Can't B Beat)	7 6
Gent.'s Calf Golo. Bals., Sewn (The Reliable)	6 11
Gent.'s Bals., Sewn and Cap	7 6
These Boots are all equal to any others that you can purchase from other firms at 10s 6d.	
Gent.'s Glaced Bals.	8 9
Gent.'s Golosbed Bals. (The Sensible)	11 9
Ditto ditto (The Federal)	11 9
The J. H. Heavy Oxford Bals. (The Sterling)	12 6
Gent.'s Calf Golosbed Bals. (English make, very Superior Line, at	9 11
My far-famed CARLTON Bals. at	18 9
This same quality cannot be purchased from other houses under 25s.	

ALSO, THE FOLLOWING LOW-PRICED GOODS.

	s. d.
Ladies' Glacé One-strap Evening Shoe	1 11
Ladies' Glacé One-strap Shoe, at	2 4
Ladies' Glacé Two-strap Shoe, at	2 11
Ladies' Tan One-strap Shoe, at	2 6
Ladies' Tan Two-strap Shoe, at	2 11
Ladies' Glacé Oxford Shoe	2 6
Ladies' Tennis Shoe	1 6
Ladies' Glacé Lace Boots	4 6
Gent.'s Strong Lace Boots 3s 11d, 4s 6d	4 11
Gent.'s Tan ditto	5 9
Gent.'s White Canvas Tennis Shoes	1 11

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72s.	HENNESSY'S XXX BRANDY	6s.	Why pay more?
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36s.	BURKE'S SCHNAPPS	3s 3d.	Why pay more?
41s 6d.	BROWN'S 4-CROWN WHISKY	3s 6d.	Why pay more?
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45s.	USHER'S SPECIAL RESERVE ditto	3s 9d.	Why pay more?
41s 6d.	MAC.'S SPECIAL WHISKY (own importing)	3s 6d.	Why pay more?
58s 6d.	MAC.'S SPECIAL, Imp. Qts. (own importing)	5s.	Why pay more?
60s.	CELEBRATED GREYBEARD, Imp. Qts. (own importing)	5s 3d.	Why pay more?
54s.	JOHN JAMESON'S *** WHISKY	4s 6d.	Why pay more?
58s.	CHARLES DICKENS WHISKY	5s.	Why pay more?
41s.	SHAMROCK WHISKY	3s 6d.	Why pay more?
41s 6d.	JOHN DEWAR'S PEDIGREE WHISKY	3s 6d.	Why pay more?
42s.	GILBEY'S DRY GIN	3s 6d.	Why pay more?

M'EWAN'S BOTTLED BEER, 38s per case 4 doz. quarts.

Cases or Assorted Cases (to suit Customers) delivered Free, city and suburbs.

ABSTRACT OF SALES BY AUCTION THIS DAY.

LAND AND HOUSES.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH.—At their Rooms, at 11.30, Land and Houses.

J. COWAN.—On the premises, Hart-street, off Cooper-street, Surry Hills, at 11, Cottages, Workshops, &c.

FURNITURE AND MERCHANDISE.

HARRIS and ACKMAN.—At their Mart, at 11, American Alarm Clocks, Novelties, Safety Pins, Blind Rollers, Perfumes, &c.

J. R. LAWSON.—At the Rooms, at 11, Furniture, Glass, China, Electroplate, Gas Stove, Carpets, Pianoforte, &c.

W. BRADLEY and CO.—At the Government Stores, Young-street, at 11, Unserviceable Stores, Zinc, Copper, Oil, Cloaks, Capes, &c.

A. D. JENKINS.—At his Rooms, 51 Castlereagh-street, at 2.30, Banjo, Guitar, Trunks, Wearing Apparel, &c.

J. P. LISTER.—At his Rooms, at 11, Clothing, Boots, &c.; at 12.30, Field and Opera Glasses, Cutlery, E.P. Ware, &c.; at 2, Gold and Silver Watches, &c.

DALWOOD and CO.—At their Rooms, at 11, Marble-top Tables, Furniture, &c.; at 3 Birchgrove-road, Balmain, at 3, Furniture, &c.

L. PHILLIPS.—At his Mart, at 11, Furniture and Effects.

D. A. MUNRO.—At 72 Engine-street, at 2.30, Clothing, &c.

M. SOLOMON and CO.—At 13 Toogood-street, Macdonaldtown, at 11, Furniture, &c.

MIDDLETON and CO.—At 102 Flinders-street, at 11, Piano, Furniture, &c.; at 621 George-street, at 2.30, Furniture, &c.

WOOL AND STATION PRODUCE.

SYDNEY WOOL-SELLING BROKERS' ASSOCIATION.—At the various Stores, at 2.30, Hides, &c.; at Wool Exchange, at 11.30, Sheepskins; at J. Bridge and Co.'s Stores, at 2.30, Tallow.

HORSES, HARNESS, AND VEHICLES.

W. INGLIS and SON.—At Bazaar, at 11 and 12, Horses, &c.; at Camperdown Yards, at 2.30, Horses.

G. KISS.—At Bazaar, at 11 and 12, Horses, &c.

FARM AND DAIRY PRODUCE.

W. INGLIS and SON.—At Railway Yards, at 12, Calves, Pigs, &c.; at 2, Poultry, &c.; at 2.30, Dairy Produce.

S. PROCTER.—At his Mart, at 1, Calves, Pigs, Poultry, Butter, Eggs, &c.

HOSKINS and MOBERLY.—At their Yards, at 1.15, Pigs, Calves, &c.; at 2.30, Poultry, &c.; at 3.30, Butter, Eggs, &c.

ELLIS and CO.—At their Yards, at 1.30, Calves, Lambs, Pigs, &c.; at 2, Butter, Eggs, &c.; at 3, Poultry, Pigeons, &c.

PITT, SON, and BADGERY.—At City Yards, at 10.30, Calves.

MISCELLANEOUS.

S. PROCTER.—At Darling Harbour, at 8, Wood, &c.

J. COWAN.—On the premises, Hart-street, off Cooper-street, Surry Hills, at 11, Contractor's Plant, Ironmongery, Gas Engine, Galvanised Iron, &c.

L. PHILLIPS.—At his Mart, at 1, Plants, Ferns, &c.

HE WASTED AWAY!

Mr. John W. Boreham, of Churchstreet, Aberdeen, suffered terribly for many years with [illegible] sores on his leg. He tried everything, including blood purifiers, mixtures, and syrups, but they did him no good. He slowly wasted away—got very thin—until he was obliged to use a cane, then a crutch, and, finally, two crutches, he was so weak. He began to take

VOGELER'S CURATIVE COMPOUND,

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COUGHS, COLDS ON THE CHEST, BRONCHITIS AND ASTHMA rapidly cured by HEARNE'S BRONCHITIS CURE.

Those who have taken this medicine are amazed at its wonderful influence. Sufferers from any form of bronchitis, distressing cough, difficulty of breathing, hoarseness, pain or soreness in the chest, experience delightful and immediate relief, and to those who are subject to colds on the chest it is invaluable, as it effects a complete cure. It is most comforting in allaying tickling and irritation in the throat, and giving strength to the voice, and it never allows a cough or asthma to become chronic. No house should be without it, as, taken at the beginning, a dose is generally sufficient, and a complete cure is certain.

Prepared only, and sold wholesale and retail, by the proprietor, W. G. HEARNE, Chemist, Geelong, Victoria. To be obtained in bottles, small size 2s 6d, large 4s 6d, from chemists and medicine vendors.

Houses and Land For Sale.

PERTH, capital city Western Australia.—Town LOTS from £20 each, good building land, well situated; a splendid investment; easy terms; perfect title. New Coloured Maps of West Australia Post Free to any address for 1s in stamps. THE INTERCOLONIAL INVESTMENT COMPANY, Limited, 300 Pitt-street. W. J. DOUGLAS, Manager.

FOR SALE, 300 acres LAND, close to Colo Vale station. Apply Frederick Draper, Mittagong.

REDFERN.—Private SALE, Superior HOUSE, 7 rooms, beautifully finished inside and out, hall, every convenience. H. M., 204 Cleveland-street, Surry Hills.

CLOSE Railway Workshops, Eveleigh, Torrens title.—W.B. COTTAGE, half-hall, 4 rooms, stable, sewer connected, corner position; price £275; terms, £25 deposit, balance as rent. Page and Notting, 139 King-street.

ASHFIELD.—Detached double-fronted bay-window brick COTTAGE, 7 rooms, 2 halls, folding doors, picture rods, bathroom, washhouse, tubs, tiled hearths, &c.; land 50 x 200; £650. Page and Notting, King-st.

FREE TICKETS, Terminus Estate, Belmore, £10 per lot. Sale To-morrow. Broughton, 250 Pitt-st.

AUBURN.—Superior Cottage, hall, 4 r., k., w.h., &c., land 82 x 135; £230. Page and Notting, 139 King-st.

SYDENHAM.—New Cottage, full of comforts, 6 rooms, &c., land 33 x 100; £580. Page and Notting, King-st.

TO GENTLEMEN IN SEARCH OF A LOVELY COTTAGE RESIDENCE, Stanmore.—Handsome bay-window VILLA, 7 rooms, folding-doors, hall, land 40 x 125, £875. Kitt, 38 Elizabeth-st.

SALE, 2 double-frontage Cottages, 60ft. frontage, £300, 15s 6d weekly. C. B., Post-office, Annandale.

GRAZING FARM, 165 acres, 8 miles from Cabramatta, Mulgoa district, permanent water, 6-roomed Cottage, stable, carthouse, milking yard, fowlyard and houses, fruit and vegetable gardens, all fenced. Torrens title. £5 10s an acre, with all improvements; simply a gift. Easy terms. A. BRICKWOOD, Temperance Hall, 305 Pitt-street.

COMFORTABLE COTTAGE, on grand block land, close to station, cheap. 22 Old Canterbury-rd., Lewisham.

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Horses and Vehicles.

FOR SALE, a Bay MARE and Harness, 5 years, owner no further use. Miller and Ernest sts., N. Sydney.

SORE BACKS CURED BY CONDY'S FLUID.—Horses suffering from sore shoulders, sore backs, broken knees, wounds, bruises, &c., cured in a few hours by bathing the parts affected with diluted Condy's Fluid. Use a tablespoonful to a pint of water. Caution.—Insist on having Condy's Fluid. Beware of [illegible]. Veterinary book with every bottle [illegible] curing [illegible] Horses, Sheep, Cattle, &c. Sold by all chemists. Manufactured only at Condy's Fluid Works, London, England.

FOR SALE, fast and handsome Buggy Mare, Sulky, and Harness. Campbell and Elizabeth sts., Newtown.

MAKE NO MISTAKES.—I am offering a Large Stock of BUGGIES, &c., at a large reduction in prices. Come and see them. KEASEY, 262 Pitt-street.

SOCIABLE, Horse, and Harness, in daily priv. fam. use, good turnout; or will separate. Thomson, 90 Pitt-st.

FOR SALE, first-class SULKY (by Angus), children's seat, B.M. Harness, Bay Horse, 4 years, staunch, and quiet in saddle and harness, stands trams and trains; trial. J. W. HAMILTON, Badminton-road, Croydon.

FOR SALE, Hooded BUGGY, or Exchange for Sulky and Harness. 118 and 120 Market-st.

GRAZING.—Splendid RUN of 1000 Acres, abundance of grass and water, horses 1s, cattle 6d; orders called for. Apply to ARTHUR GRAY and CO., Tea Merchants, Liverpool-streets, and W. DEAN, House Agent, 391 Oxford-street, Paddington.

FOR Sale, stylish, 3-spring SULKY; also, double-panel, spring CART, cheap. Rattie, Petersham.

FOR SALE, first-class SULKY, &c. Mascotte, Suttor-st., Alexandria, near Public School.

LARGE 3-spring VAN, Horse, Harness, serviceable turnout, £6 10s; light 3-spring Cart. 74 Devonshire-st.

FOR SALE cheap, large Produce VAN. J. Baldick, 63 King-st., Newtown.

THOROUGHBRED Sulky, £6; also 2 good sets Harness, £2 [illegible], Parkes-st., Camperdown.

FIVE or six Horses can have good grass and water, 1s weekly. R. Peterson, Moorbank, Liverpool.

FOR SALE, very light cut-under Hooded BUGGY, cost £65, price £20; also Pagnel Cart and Harness, price £13. W. WATTERS, Church-street, Parramatta.

CREAMY PONY, 14 hands, Saddle and Bridle, £5; strong Springcart, top, Harness, £4 10s. 104 Glebe-st.

HOODED Sulky, also lady's Bent-shaft Sulky, active 12-hand Pony, for Sale. 332 Bourke-st., Surry Hills.

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STYLISH Hooded Park Phaeton, seat 4, sell cheap. 328 King-st., Newtown, below Bridge.

ONE HUNDRED first-class HORSES and VEHICLES for HIRE (with or without horses), the cheapest Livery Stables in town. ROBO'S New Yard, the Square and Compass Hotel, George-street, near Goulburn-street.

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Funerals.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. and Mrs. JAMES TELFER are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly-beloved eldest DAUGHTER, Harriett; to move from their residence, Boundary-street North, Parramatta, THIS FRIDAY, at a quarter to 1 o'clock, for Church of England Cemetery, Rookwood. William Metcalfe, und'r.

THE FRIENDS of Mrs. SARAH EVANS are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of her dearly beloved HUSBAND, John Evans; to move from his late residence, Carlingford, THIS DAY, Friday, at 12.30 p.m., by road for C. E. Cemetery, Rookwood. WALTER LAMBERT, Undertaker, Gladesville.

LEINSTER MARINE LODGE, No. 2.—BRETHREN of the above and Sister Lodges are fraternally requested to attend the Funeral of our late Brother, P. M. EVANS, on FRIDAY; to leave the Mortuary for Rookwood at 2.15 p.m. Regalia. O. J. M. LLOYD, Sec.

THE TRUSTEES of Erskineville Park are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late Co-trustee THOMAS EVANS, Esq., which will move from his late residence, 33 Gerrard-street, Alexandria, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.30. JOHN GODDARD, Chairman. W. F. BRAY, Secretary.

WHITE.—The FRIENDS of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. WHITE are respectfully requested to attend the Funeral of their dearly-beloved SON, William; to leave his parents' residence, 106 Abercrombie-street, Redfern, at quarter to 2 o'clock, for Rookwood Cemetery. J. MEDCALF and SON, Undertakers.

WHITE.—The FRIENDS of Mr. and Mrs. JAS. WHITE, Sen., are invited to attend the Funeral of their beloved GRANDSON, William; to move from his parents' residence, 106 Abercrombie-street, Redfern, at quarter to 2 o'clock, for R.C. Cemetery, Rookwood. J. MEDCALF and SON, Undertakers.

WHITE.—The FRIENDS of Messrs. JAMES, WILLIAM, and DA[illegible]ROCHE are respectfully requested to attend th[illegible] of their dearly-beloved NEPHEW, William; [illegible] parents' residence, 106 Abercrombie-street, R[illegible] quarter to 2 o'clock, for R.C. Cemetery, Rookwo[illegible] MEDCALF and SON.

WHITE.—The FRIENDS of Mrs. E. WHITE, of the Eveleigh Hotel, are requested to attend the Funeral of her dearly-beloved NEPHEW, William; to leave from his parents' residence, 106 Abercrombie-street, Redfern, at quarter to 2 o'clock, for R C. Cemetery, Rookwood. J. MEDCALF and SON, Undertakers.

WARNS.—The FRIENDS of the late Mr. WILLIAM WARNS are kindly invited to his Funeral, which will move from his son-in-law's (Daniel Olsen's) residence, No. 2?3 Evans-street, Balmain West, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock, for Church of England Cemetery, Field of Mars. WOOD and COMPANY, U'takers and Embalm's, Sydney, Balmain, Petham, N. Syd.

WALKER.—The FRIENDS of Mrs. MARGARET F. WALKER are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her late beloved HUSBAND, Major Charles; to move from his late residence, 357 Liverpool-street, Darlinghurst, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at quarter to 3 o'clock, to Waverley Cemetery. CHARLES KINSELA and COMPANY, Funeral Directors, 116 Oxford-st., Darlinghurst, George-st.

BRADY.—The FRIENDS of Mr. ALEX. BRADY, of the Military Forces, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved MOTHER; to move from his residence, Hawthorne, Cowper-st., Waverley, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at half-past 3 o'clock, to Waverley Cemetery. CHAS. KINSELA and COMPANY, Funeral Directors, Waverley, near Tea Gardens, and 116 Oxford-street. Telephone, 902.

THE FRIENDS of Mrs. HENRIETTA SPARKS are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her beloved HUSBAND, William S., which will leave his late residence, No. 8 Victoria-street, Beaconsfield Estate, Alexandria, TO-MORROW (Saturday) AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for C. of E. Cemetery, Necropolis. A. J. Jackson, und't'r.

RELATIVES and FRIENDS of the late lamented Mr. EDWARD LLOYD LEWIS are hereby informed that their friend departed this life on TUESDAY, the 10th day of March, 1896, after a short illness of one week only, and was buried from his late residence in Belgrave-terrace, Forbes-street, Darlinghurst. Inserted by his friend, H. W.

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Yankee doodle, guard your coast,
Yankee doodle dandy,
Fear not, then, nor threat nor boast,
Yankee doodle dandy.

It seems a great pity that our American Cousins have been interfering with the affairs of other nations, certainly against the precepts of their pet Monroe Doctrine, and unfortunately have not come out with too brilliant colours. Even Spain is in arms to protect her remaining colony—Cuba; and she may find even in Barcelona that she has a "harder nut to crack than she expected." Jingoism has surely been running loose in America, without one of its necessary requirements—greenbacks currency instead of gold, and men to man the few ships culled from all nations. But, unlike us, they seldom boast, that is—hardly ever; but our boast is that from here to Kamschatka such a Sauce as the "AUSTRALIAN RELISH" is not to be found. It is thorough in all respects, and 6d per bottle is its modest price. Please ask your grocer for it when purchasing the far-famed A. BOYER'S BAKING or YEAST POWDER at the same price, and you will have made most excellent purchases, having the "BEST SAUCE MADE," and the "LIGHTEST and MOST SATISFACTION-GIVING BAKING POWDER."

CLAYTON'S INSECT POWDER,
1s, 1s 3d, 1s 6d per box,
is largely used for moths, &c., and also if well shaken over clothes not in use the insects try to take to themselves
THE WINGS OF THE MORNING
and fly to the uttermost parts.
But their efforts are too feeble, and, like the Rats and Mice when, having partaken of
CLAYTON'S VERMIN DESTROYER,
roll over and die on the spot.
But should they succeed in hiding their ignominious heads in their holes,
CLAYTON'S CRIMSON FLUID
is what is wanted to disinfect their late residences.

We still have on draught
OUR ICED DRINKS—
ROOT BEER
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and each at 3d per glass.

CLAYTON'S CHERRY TOOTH PASTE,
at 1s per packet,
produces an ivory whiteness to the teeth, and so perfumes the breath that
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MUSK,
also at 1s per packet,
will keep moths and silver fish away;
it is rather a dear article, but that is, of course, easily accounted for, being obtained from the Musk Deer of Thibet.

BIRD SEED,
mixed or plain, 3d per lb., or 5lb. for 1s.

Dr. THOMPSON'S COUGH LINCTUS,
1s per bottle.
Dr. E. WILSON'S HAIR TONIC, 1s also,
and many others, for which please vide List, free.

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Auction Sales.

INGLIS and SON'S HORSE BAZAAR.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their BAZAAR, THIS DAY, at 11 a.m. sharp, Vans, springcarts, horses, and harness. Draught horses, tipdrays, and harness. At 12 o'clock. Horses and vehicles of every description. Specially Advertised. Tel., 1331.

SOCIABLE (with pole), 2 NEW SULKIES, and MINIATURE PONY CART.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock. The above vehicles, direct from the hands of the builder, all first-class vehicles.

To RACING MEN and Others.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from the owner to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock. NEIL GOW, brown gelding, 5 years, by Lochiel, dam by Kingsborough. Full pedigree and performances at sale.

CAMPERDOWN YARDS.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, MARCH 13, at 2.30 O'CLOCK.

HORSES. HORSES. HORSES.

To Private Gentlemen, Indian Buyers, Business Men, Heavy Carriers, 'Bus and Cab Proprietors, and Others.

50 HIGH-CLASS FRESH COUNTRY HORSES 50

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell as above, under instructions from Messrs. T. and W. D. MOXHAM, 50 HIGH-CLASS FRESH COUNTRY HORSES, consisting of upstanding well-bred descriptions, with bone and substance, suitable for CARRIAGE and light harness work and the INDIAN MARKET; also first-class heavy and active draughts, broken and unbroken, in splendid condition.

** The above are described as a SPECIALLY GOOD LOT and of the right ages. The light portion are by LINCOLN and VAIN HOPE, while the draughts are from CHAPMAN'S CELEBRATED STUD.

INGLIS'S WEEKLY PRODUCE SALE ON FRIDAYS, RAILWAY SALEYARDS, 827 GEORGE-STREET.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Railway Yards, [illegible] THIS DAY, Friday,
At 12 o'clock sharp,
Calves, pigs, lambs, suckers, &c.
At 2 o'clock,
Turkeys, ducks, geese, fowls, pigeons, &c.
At 3 o'clock sharp,
Roll and keg butter, from best South [illegible] factories and dairies, eggs, bacon, cheese, lard, honey, &c., &c.

HORSES, VEHICLES, and HARNESS.

GEORGE KISS will sell by auction, at the Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock. All lots not specially advertised. And at 12 o'clock, All lots specially advertised. Regular Sales at the Bazaar daily, and at Camperdown or elsewhere any afternoon. LIVERY.—In this department charges moderate and best of forage.

TO RACING MEN AND OTHERS.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions from the Mortgagees to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, THIS DAY, Friday, at 12 o'clock. BERTHA, chestnut mare, winner of many races. Without Reserve.

GEORGE KISS will sell by auction, at the Bazaar, THIS DAY, Friday, at 12 o'clock. New sociable hooded carryall, hooded double-seat buggy, and 3 sulkies.

A.—Free Train Tickets Belmore Land SALE, TO-MORROW, Saturday. Broughton, 250 Pitt-st.

GEORGE KISS will sell TO-MORROW, Saturday, 3 p.m., at 38 Missenden-road, Newtown, 5 horses, 4 spring vans, 2 drays, and quantity of harness, to close partnership account.

GAME FOWLS. GAME FOWLS.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions from T. Croudace, Esq., Lambton, to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, TO-MORROW, Saturday, at 12 o'clock, A quantity of Malay and other kinds of game fowls.

HORSES. HORSES. HORSES.

CAMPERDOWN SALE YARDS.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8.

HILL, CLARK, and CO. will sell as above.
Account Messrs. A. B. and F. BOWMAN,
20 head mediums and draught horses.
Account A. JARDINE, Esq., Burgam,
20 head light harness and saddle horses.
Account J. J. SULLIVAN, Esq., Alloway Bank,
20 head horses.
Account J. PEBERDY, Gungal,
20 head horses.

PRODUCE SALES.

SYDNEY WOOL-SELLING BROKERS' ASSOCIATION.
SALES by AUCTION will be held TO-DAY, FRIDAY, as under:—
HIDES.—At the various stores, at 9.30 a.m.
SHEEPSKINS.—At the Wool Exchange, Macquarie-place, at 11.30 a.m.
TALLOW.—At John Bridge and Co.'s Store, at 2.30 p.m.

WEEKLY PRODUCE SALE.

ELLIS and CO. will sell by auction, at their Sydney Produce Saleyards, at the foot of 791 George-street South (entrance Valentine-lane), THIS DAY, at half-past 1,
Fat calves, lambs, pigs, suckers, &c.
At 2 o'clock sharp.
The usual weekly supply of choice brands of creamery, factory, and dairy roll and keg butter; cheese, bacon, eggs, honey, lard, trust, &c.
10 tons pure extracted honey, very prime.
At 3 o'clock sharp,
A large quantity of poultry, including ducks, geese, turkeys, fowls, pigeons, birds, &c., &c.

CITY YARDS.

PITT, SON, and BADGERY, Limited, will sell by auction, at City Yards, THIS DAY, at 10.30 o'clock, 25 prime fat calves, from Rylstone.

SEAFORTH PROCTER will sell by auction, THIS DAY, at Darling Harbour Station, at 8 o'clock, Wood. At Produce Mart, 741 George-street, at 1 o'clock, Fat calves, fat pigs, sucking pigs, carcase pork, hares. 120 coops turkeys, geese, ducks, fowls, pigeons, birds. Factory and dairy butter, cheese, hams, bacon, lard. 100 cases superior duck and hen eggs. Grapes, quinces, honey, wax, hair, hides, and sundries.

THE FARMERS' AUCTION SALEYARDS, THOMAS-STREET (OFF ENGINE-STREET), HAYMARKET.

HOSKINS and MURPHY will sell by auction, at their Rooms and Yard, THIS DAY—At 1.15 sharp: Porkers, suckers, stores, and calves. At 2.30: 40 pens prime table poultry, from Hawkesbury River; 20 pens specially fattened Mule and Muscovy drakes and ducks, from local consignors; 6 coops of extra good turkeys, from Coolac; 32 coops ex rail, comprising turkeys, geese, ducks, fowls, &c. At 3.30: Butter, lard, honey, wax, hair, hides, &c. At 4: 40 cases local hen and duck eggs; 30 cases ex rail and boat. Also, from Richmond River, maize and 30 dozen pumpkins.

FEE Five Shillings for Preparing Return under Land and Income Tax. E. C. V. Broughton, 250 Pitt-st.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, 13th MARCH, at 11 a.m.

UNRESERVED SALE by AUCTION, at the GOVERNMENT STORES, YOUNG-STREET, of OLD and UNSERVICEABLE STORES, By order of THE HON. COLONIAL TREASURER, comprising BASKETS, SURVEYORS' INSTRUMENTS, ZINC, COPPER, REFUSE OIL, About 100 Vols. MAGAZINE BOOKS, OLD CLOAKS and CAPES, QUANTITY of CARTRIDGES, WATERMAN'S BOAT and General Sundries.

WALTER BRADLEY and CO. have been instructed by the Hon. Colonial Treasurer to conduct the above unreserved sale by auction, at THE GOVERNMENT STORES, Young-street, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, 13th MARCH, at 11 a.m.

TERMS, PROMPT CASH.

In the BANKRUPT ESTATE of N. O. PENNER. THIS DAY, FRIDAY, MARCH 13, at 11 o'clock, AT OUR ROOMS, BATHURST-STREET. DRAWING-ROOM SUITE of 9 PIECES, BLACK-AND-GOLD OVERMANTEL, WHATNOT, CARPET, CURTAINS and VALANCE, SINGER'S HIGH-ARM SEWING MACHINE, OILCLOTH, SIDEBOARD, PICTURES, CUTLERY, CROCKERY, DINING-TABLE, AUST. CHAIRS, &c., &c. Double H.T. BEDSTEAD complete, Chest Drawers, Pair Pine Toilets, Toilet Ware, T. Glasses, W. Stands, FRENCH BEDSTEAD, T. TABLES, &c. DRESSER, TUBS, KITCHEN UTENSILS, &c.

DALWOOD and CO. have received instructions from N. F. GIBLIN, Esq., OFFICIAL ASSIGNEE, to sell the above, WITHOUT RESERVE.

THIS DAY, MARCH 13, at 11 o'clock, AT OUR ROOMS, BATHURST-STREET, 9 MARBLE-TOP TABLES, suitable for Refreshment Rooms.

DALWOOD and CO. will sell as above.

IN THE BANKRUPT ESTATE of T. W. LUNN, of 8 BIRCHGROVE-ROAD, off Darling-street, Balmain.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, March 13, at 3 o'clock, on the Premises.

GENERAL HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS. Cane LOUNGE, Music Stool and Whatnot, Fancy Tables, Aust. Chairs, Clock under Glass Shade, Overmantel, Double and Single Bedsteads, Chests of Drawers, Toilets and Ware, T. Glasses, &c. KITCHEN UTENSILS and SUNDRIES.

DALWOOD and CO. have received instructions from N. F. GIBLIN, Esq., Official Assignee, to sell the above. WITHOUT RESERVE.

THIS DAY, MARCH 13, at 2.30 p.m.

IMPORTANT SALE of PERSONAL EFFECTS at the AUSTRALIA AUCTION ROOMS, 86 Castlereagh-street, under instructions from the CURATOR OF INTESTATE ESTATES, in the following ESTATES, viz.:— L. E. TALKES, FREDERICK SAUNDERS, GEORGE WOODS, THOMAS GIBBISON, JOHN WALTON, WILLIAM ALEXANDER, THOMAS WILKINSON, H. BUCKLEY, FREDK. GRAY, JAMES COADY, M. O'REGAN, EDWARD HIGGINS, JOHN DEVLIN, MARY SHERIDAN REED, Rev. A. H. SHELDON, S. J. WARHURST.

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS, including very fine CORNET, complete in case, by BESSON, of London. BANJO, MUSIC CABINET, and MUSIC.

PORTMANTEAUX, TRUNKS, MEN'S and WOMEN'S APPAREL, LINEN, CROCKERY, and Sundries.

A. G. JENKINS has received instructions from the CURATOR to sell, as above, THIS AFTERNOON.

TERMS, CASH.

JOHN P. LISTER will sell by auction, at his Rooms, 247A Pitt-street, THIS DAY, the unredeemed pledges pawned with Mr. B. H. Keesing, of the Mont de Piété, 8 Market-street,
At 11 o'clock: Clothing, boots, blankets, &c.
At 12.30: Sundries, consisting of field and opera glasses, cutlery, E.P. ware, books, musical instruments, clocks, &c.
At 2 o'clock: Jewellery, comprising gold and silver lever and Waltham watches; diamond, signet, keeper, and wedding rings; gold alberts, chains, necklets, lockets, bracelets, pins, solitaires, links, &c.

To Builders, Speculators, and Dealers in Building Material. AUCTION SALE ON THE PREMISES. Hart-street, off Cooper-street, Surry Hills. Builders' Workshop, and Extensive Plant of a Contractor. TO-DAY, FRIDAY, 13th March, at 11 a.m.

JAMES COWAN, 266 Pitt-street, has received instructions to sell by public auction, as above, The whole of the machinery and trade appliances, consisting of gas engine, saw benches, band saw, mortice machine, pulleys and shafting, portable forge, carts, harness, timber of all descriptions, builders' ironmongery, gal. iron, and sundries too numerous to mention. TERMS, CASH. NO RESERVE. Also, will be offered a 2-story brick workshop and (3) three cottages, making a first-class investment, and well worthy the attention of small capitalists. SPECIAL TERMS WILL BE OFFERED.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, MARCH 13, at 1 o'clock. Imperative and Absolutely Unreserved Sale PLANTS. Under instructions from F. Johnson, Esq., florist, Double Bay.

LEWIS PHILLIPS will sell by auction, at his Mart, 2?7 Pitt-street, FRIDAY, March 13th, at 1 o'clock, choice collection Plants, consisting of ferns, lycopodiums, baskets, palms, lilies, begonias, marantas, carnations, &c. Also, at 11 o'clock, Household furniture and effects. TERMS, CASH.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, on the Premises, No. 13 Toogood-street, Macdonaldtown, at 11 a.m. sharp, Superior Household Furniture and Effects, consisting of Bedsteads, Chairs, Sideboard, Chest Drawers, Tables, Dresser, Wash and Wares, Crockery, Glassware, and Kitchen Utensils. Under Instructions from Mrs. Welshman. Without Reserve. M. V. SOLOMON and CO., Auctioneers, Newtown Markets, Newtown.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE.

To Oil and Colourmen, Artists, and Stationers' Depots, Fancy Repositories, Dealers, and Others.

FOR ABSOLUTE SALE BY AUCTION, UNDER INSTRUCTIONS FROM MESSRS. A. H. COLLIER and CO., in the Estate of A. NEW, ROYAL ARCADE, ON THE PREMISES, ROYAL ARCADE (GEORGE-STREET CORNER), ON TUESDAY NEXT, MARCH 17, AT 11 O'CLOCK SHARP, THE WHOLE OF THE STOCK-IN-TRADE of ARTISTS' MATERIALS, PAINTS, GLACIER DECORATIONS, FANCY GOODS, FIXTURES, FITTINGS, &c.

FULL PARTICULARS IN TO-MORROW'S ISSUE.

A. TRAVERSI and CO. have been instructed to hold the above sale on the premises, on TUESDAY Next, March 17, at 11 o'clock sharp. Absolutely Unreserved.

SATURDAY, MARCH 14, at 10.30 a.m., CRANE'S AUCTION ROOMS, 274 PITT-STREET (opposite John Macintosh), under Bill of Sale, RUMMAGE SALE of USEFUL HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, also a Stock of FANCY GOODS, Stationery, Toys, Dolls, Tobacco.

WM. CRANE, Jun., will sell, at his Auction Rooms, 274 Pitt-street, on SATURDAY MORNING, as above.

NO RESERVE. NO RESERVE.

CHATSWOOD.—ACRE BLOCKS, on Ground (Mowbray-road West), TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, 3 p.m. R. and W., Ltd.

THIS DAY, 13th MARCH, at 11 a.m.

IMPORTANT POSITIVE UNRESERVED TRADE SALE.

12 Cases AMERICAN CLOCKS in MARBLE, SILVER GILT, and OAK, 1 and 8 Day, Strike, and Cathedral Gong.

3 Cases NICKEL AMERICAN ALARM CLOCKS.

1 Case ALARM CLOCKS, Half-hour Strike.

5 Cases AMERICAN NOVELTIES.

4 Cases SAFETY PINS, in Cabinets, sizes 1, 2, 2½, and 3.

17 Cases Each 1 grs., BLIND ROLLERS, Assorted Sizes.

1 Case PULVIL PERFUMES. To Fancy Goods Warehousemen, Jewellers, Storekeepers, Dealers, &c.

HARRIS and ACKMAN will sell the ABOVE BY AUCTION, at the MART, 199 PITT-STREET, THIS DAY, 13th March, at 11 a.m.

TERMS AT SALE.

LAWSON and SMITH'S AUCTION SALE ROOMS, 128 PITT-STREET.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, MARCH 13, at 11 a.m.

HIGHLY-ATTRACTIVE SALE BY AUCTION, at THE ROOMS, 128 PITT-STREET.

Under instructions from THE EXECUTORS IN THE ESTATE of THE LATE R. G. VALLACK, Esq., and on account of other Interests, comprising HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS. GLASS, CHINA, and ELECTROPLATE. MASSIVE WALNUT SIDEBOARD, very highly finished, and in the most modern design. ELABORATE DRAWING-ROOM SUITE in COSTLY FIGURED SILK DAMASK, made by OETZMANN and CO., LONDON. VERY SUPERIOR DINING-ROOM SUITE in ANTIQUE OAK, consisting of Large Chesterfield Settee, 2 Easy Chairs, and 10 Dining Chairs upholstered in Morocco Leather. FULL TELESCOPE DINING TABLE in antique oak, with Patent Screw and Spare Leaves extending 12ft. VALUABLE CLOCKS and BRONZES. CHOICE ORNAMENTS. HANDSOME WALNUT OVERMANTELS, with bevelled-edged mirrors. DRAWING-ROOM CABINETS. SUPERIOR BEDROOM SUITES in WALNUT and ENGLISH ASH. BLACK-AND-BRASS BEDSTEADS and Woven-wire Mattresses, and best Bedding, complete. LARGE BOX OTTOMAN COUCH. Combination Chests, Duchesse Toilet Tables and Washstands, Single Wardrobes, Linen Press, Large Chests of Drawers, &c., &c. Also, SUPERIOR KITCHEN and LAUNDRY EFFECTS. GAS STOVE WITH ENAMELLED TOP AND SIDES (almost new). TWO OTHER FIRST-CLASS GAS STOVES, and A Large Quantity of MISCELLANEOUS HOUSEHOLD REQUISITES.

JAMES R. LAWSON (Lawson and Smith) has been favoured with instructions to conduct the important sale by auction, at the Rooms, as above, on THIS DAY, FRIDAY, 13th MARCH, at 11 a.m.

TERMS, CASH. NO RESERVE.

LAWSON and SMITH'S AUCTION SALEROOMS, 128 PITT-STREET.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, MARCH 13, at 11 a.m.

IMPERATIVE UNRESERVED SALE BY AUCTION of the whole of the FURNITURE and HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS, now being Removed from A GENTLEMAN'S RESIDENCE at DARLINGHURST.

FOR ABSOLUTE UNRESERVED SALE.

GLASS, CHINA, AND ELECTROPLATE.

DINING AND DRAWING ROOM FURNITURE AND APPOINTMENTS.

FURNITURE OF 8 BEDROOMS.

VALUABLE WALNUT PIANOFORTE.

CARPETS AND FLOOR COVERINGS.

LARGE GAS STOVE, SMALL GAS STOVE, KITCHEN AND LAUNDRY REQUISITES, &c., &c., including THE WHOLE OF THE GENERAL FURNITURE and EFFECTS of A LARGE ESTABLISHMENT.

JAMES R. LAWSON (Lawson and Smith) has been favoured with instructions to sell by auction, WITHOUT RESERVE, as above, at THE ROOMS, 128 PITT-STREET, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, 13th MARCH, at 11 a.m.

** ALL GOODS MUST BE PAID FOR and cleared from the Rooms on DAY FOLLOWING SALE.

NO RESERVE. TERMS, CASH.

WEDNESDAY NEXT, at 11 a.m.

On the Premises, Glenmore-road and New South Head-road.

Under instructions from the Proprietor. The LEASE, GOODWILL, MACHINERY, STOCK, HORSES, DRAYS, and BOOK DEBTS of that well-known business situate at the corner of Glenmore-road and New South Head-road, to be submitted in one line as a going concern, and failing a satisfactory offer, the whole will be disposed of in lots to suit purchasers.

** The principal items are as follows:— ENGINE AND BOILER, TROLLY, 2 DRAYS, SULKY, 3 HORSES, PONY, HARNESS, WEIGHING-MACHINES, PRODUCE.

C. F. W. LLOYD and CO. will sell by auction, on the premises, Glenmore-road, on WEDNESDAY Next, at 11 a.m. The above. Terms, Cash. Cards to view from the Auctioneers. Offices, 267 George-street.

FREE TICKETS.—Terminus Estate, Belmore, £10 per lot. Sale To-morrow. Broughton, 250 Pitt-st.

D. A. MUNRO will sell THIS DAY, 2.30, 75 Engine-st., Clothing, jewellery, boots, and sundries.

THIS DAY, at 2.30.

MIDDLETON and CO. sell by auction at 623 George-street, Haymarket, a large quantity of Furniture, bedsteads, clothing, &c. Terms, cash. No reserve.

WEDNESDAY, 18th MARCH, at 11.

MIDDLETON and CO., in conjunction with John Sims, 2 Flinders-street, are instructed by Mrs. Lavender, who is relinquishing business for a time on account of ill-health, to sell by auction, at "WINDERMERE," 132 Flinders-street, Splendid MIGNON PIANOFORTE, walnut cabinet, Brussels carpets, suites, tables, and the first-class furniture of 15 rooms. Absolutely without reserve. Fuller particulars in later advertisements.

PROPERTY SALES at THE ROOMS, 313 PITT-STREET, SYDNEY. MONDAY, 16th MARCH, at 11.30 a.m.

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEES.

THIRLMERE, MYRTLE CREEK, ABOUT 1½ MILE FROM THIRLMERE STATION.—LAND in area 50 acres 1 rood, of which about 10 acres are cleared, fenced, and part orchard. Good soil, fronting Myrtle Creek, adjoining Coull's Estate and the properties of Messrs. Bradbury, M'Everitt, and Fieldhouse. Torrens Title.

Mr. C. J. MUDDLE, 190 Pitt-street, Conveyancer for Mortgagee.

ULTIMO, ADA-STREET, Nos. 8, 10, and 12, off FIG-STREET.—Three 2-story brick HOUSES, slate roofs. No. 8 contains 4 rooms, kitchen, washhouse, verandah, and balcony in front. Nos. 10 and 12 each contain 4 rooms, kitchen, balconies at rear, side entrance. Land about 46ft. x 60ft. Title Leasehold, about 92 years to run; ground rent £23 per annum.

CAMPERDOWN, ROSE-STREET, THROUGH TO WATER-STREET AT REAR, CLOSE TO THE TRAM.—Two-story Brick HOUSE, iron roof, containing half-hall, 5 rooms, kitchen, washhouse with copper, wood shed, stabling accommodation for 6 horses, city water laid on. Land about 32ft. x 13?ft. Freehold title. Occupied by Messrs. Denham Bros., carriers.

CAMPERDOWN, SUSAN-STREET, CLOSE TO THE TRAM.—Brick COTTAGE, iron roof, containing hall, 4 rooms, verandahs front and back, water laid on. Land about 26ft. x 63ft. Freehold title.

LEICHHARDT, 70 NORTON-STREET.—Brick Cottage RESIDENCE, with slate roof, and containing hall, 5 rooms, kitchen, washhouse, verandahs front and back, dwarf wall and iron railings in front. Land 30ft. x 100ft. Torrens title.

ROOKWOOD, MURRAY-STREET, OFF POTTING HILL-ROAD.—Brick COTTAGE, slate roof, and containing hall, 4 rooms, kitchen, washhouse and copper, u.g. tank, verandahs front and back. Land 66ft. x 148ft. Torrens title.

WATKIN and WATKIN, Auctioneers, 313 Pitt-street.

FOR POSITIVE SALE.

DELIGHTFUL HOMEBUSH.

Frequent, Quick Trains, Dry Atmosphere. Pleasingly situated VILLA, in MEREDITH-STREET, on hill, 3 minutes from the station, near Burlington-road, just vacating by John Callaghan, Esq. Land, 100ft. x 250ft., effectively laid out. THE VILLA is of brick (cemented), slate roof, has verandah and balcony, wide hall, 10 rooms, bathroom, laundry (fitted tubs and copper).

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Limited, will sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, 13th MARCH, at 11 o'clock. The above home property, just put in thorough repair. (1573)

CHATSWOOD.—ACRE BLOCKS, on Ground (Mowbray-road West), TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, 3 p.m. R. and W., Ltd.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY.

ORDER OF SALE.

CITY and SUBURBAN PROPERTIES to be SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION at the ROOMS, Pitt-street, at 11.30 a.m., THIS DAY, FRIDAY.

CITY.—Block of Land, Shelley-street, off Erskine-street, between Sussex-street and Harbour, with Illawarra Hotel and 2 Stores thereon. Deceased Estate.
NEWTOWN.—Shop and Dwelling, No. 131 King-street, close to Missenden-road.
FOREST LODGE.—Residence, No. 131 Wigram-street, west of Ross-street. Freehold.
GLEBE.—Four Houses, Nos. 16 to 22 Old Parramatta-road, beyond Arundel-terrace, overlooking University. Freehold.
NEWTOWN.—Five Houses, YARAWA, Watkin-street, between Wilson-street and railway line. Deceased Estate.
MACDONALDTOWN.—Three Houses, Nos. 30 to 43 Burren-street, close to Railway Station.
DOUBLE BAY.—Shop and Dwelling, Bay-street. Mortgagee's Sale.
HOMEBUSH.—Villa, Meredith-street, near Burlington-road.
NORTH ANNANDALE.—Shop and Dwelling, No. 27 Parramatta-road, between Nelson and Trafalgar streets.
WENTWORTH FALLS.—Two Cottages, corner Pritchard and Backhouse streets, on 1a. 12p. Mortgagee's Sale.
CASTLE HILL.—Corner Block, 2a. 3r. 38½p., Parish-road and Pennant-street. Mortgagee's Sale.
DITTO.—Block of 4 Acres 14½p., Parish-road and Castle-street. Mortgagee's Sale.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd.

CITY PROPERTY, comprising the ILLAWARRA HOTEL and TWO SMALL STORES (on 98ft. frontage), in SHELLEY-STREET, off Erskine-street, near DARLING HARBOUR, for AUCTION SALE, at our Rooms, THIS DAY (Friday), at 11.30 a.m. EXECUTORS' instructions are to sell. RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Limited.

FREE TICKETS, Terminus Estate, Belmore, £10 per lot. Sale To-morrow. Broughton, 220 Pitt-st.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY.

CHATSWOOD

a popular and advancing SUBURB on NORTH SHORE RAILWAY LINE.

LIBERAL SUBDIVISION. PRETTY VIEWS. GOOD SOIL.

ACRE BLOCKS, having frontages to MOWBRAY-ROAD WEST and BEACONSFIELD-ROAD, near the residences of Messrs. Carvosso, Freeman, and Woodhouse, also Mrs. Huxtable.

EASY TERMS: 10 per cent. deposit, balance over 5 years at 5 per cent. per annum. Assistance to build. TORRENS TITLE.

AUCTION SALE, TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, 14th MARCH, on the Ground, at 3 p.m.

LITHOS OBTAINABLE.
1591) RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Limited.

FOR ABSOLUTE SALE.

SPLENDID SUBDIVISION BLOCK, situate close to ST. LEONARDS STATION (North Shore Railway), and containing 5 acres 1 rood 20 perches, fronting Park-street, and having a reserve on two sides, and adjoining the land of Mr. Frank Punch.

HUGH DUFF and CO., Auctioneers and Sworn Valuators, 109 Pitt-street, have received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, on the GROUND, on SATURDAY, 14th March, at 3.30. The above VALUABLE PROPERTY.

PARRAMATTA RIVER. DRUMMOYNE, THOMPSON-STREET, 3 minutes from Ferry.

COMPACT VILLA RESIDENCE, containing 7 rooms, hall, kitchen, pantry, bathroom, washhouse, and every convenience, built under supervision of owner, well finished throughout.

HUGH DUFF and CO. have received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, at their SALEROOMS, 109 PITT-STREET, on THURSDAY, 19th MARCH, at 11.30 a.m. The above-described property.

FREE TICKETS.—Terminus Estate, Belmore, £10 per lot. Sale To-morrow. Broughton, 250 Pitt-st.

Building Materials.

FOR SALE, Square Ashlar, 80,000 Bricks, 3000 Slates, Shop Front, Plate Glass. Wheatsheaf Hotel, George-st.

NEW Marble Mantelpieces and Fenders, Portable Coppers, cheapest and best. Newland, 70 Pitt-st.

WANTED, 50 Sheets 6ft. Second-hand Gal. IRON, good order. B x 1154, G.P.O.

WANTED, 2 cases of damaged Corrugated IRON, 6ft. lengths. Geo. Stagg, Silver-st., St. Peters.

Wanted to Purchase.

MR. and Mrs. BARNETT, Old-established Wardrobe Purchasers, still give Extreme Value for every description Ladies' and Gentlemen's Left-off Clothing, Portmanteaus, Old Gold, Silver, Artificial Teeth, and articles of every description bought. Letters punctually attended to by Mr. or Mrs. BARNETT, 124 Bathurst-st.

MR. and Miss B. MITCHELL, oldest-established Wardrobe Purchasers in the colony, still giving the extreme value for Ladies' and Gentlemen's and Children's Cast-off Clothing, Portmanteaus, Articles of every description Bought. Old Gold and Artificial Teeth Bought. Letters promptly attended. 145 Bathurst-street.

OLD Artificial Teeth, Old Artificial Teeth Bought, highest price given. B. Mitchell, 145 Bathurst-st.

ESTABLISHED over 30 years.—Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin are cash buyers of Ladies', Gents.'s, and Children's New and Second-hand CLOTHING, Artificial Teeth, and all Miscellaneous Articles. Before accepting any other dealer's price, write for Mr. or Mrs. BENJAMIN, corner Goulburn and Elizabeth streets.

GOOD PIANO, Sewing Machine, Stove, Bicycle; state makers, prices; Cheval Glass. Cash, 74 Devonshire-st.

LEFT-OFF CLOTHING.—Mr. and Miss M. MITCHELL respectfully inform Ladies and Gentlemen that they give the highest cash price for every description of Clothing, Old Gold, Silver, Artificial Teeth, Furniture, &c. Letters and parcels punctually attended. Only address, 103 Castlereagh-street, city, 3 doors from Park-st.

STAMPS.—Old Australians and Collections bought, highest prices. Fred. Hagen, 74 Elizabeth-st.

DRAGOON PIGEONS, London, [illegible] wanted few cheap, state price, Dragoon, [illegible] Office.

WANTED, Travelling TRUNK, [illegible], large and strong. Size and price, Cato, [illegible] Office.

RETRIEVER wanted, Pup (slut). Price Dog, Herald.

WANTED, a few Loads of IRONSTONE GRAVEL. State price to Gravel, Herald Office.

SULKY, in good order, with or without hood; must be good, strong, cheap. W. T., Ultimo.

WANTED to Purchase, commercial-size TYPEWRITER; state maker. D., G.P.O. Box 771.

WANTED to Buy, Copper GAS-HEATER, equal to new. Price, &c., Bath, Post-office, Enmore.

Hotels.

ASCHE.—Mr. and Mrs. THOMAS ASCHE, Imperial Hotel, Wynyard-square.

AUCKLAND.—The GRAND HOTEL, opposite Government House. Mrs. M. Gallagher, proprietress.

HYDORA House Hotel, Blackheath.—Vans; red. tariff, 3?s wk. for remainder of season. J. A. S. Toms, prop.

SPRINGWOOD, Blue Mountains.—First-class Accommodation, 25s per week; private tables, 2 guineas. Visitors from Saturday till Monday driven out free, and boarders three times weekly. D. MUTCH, Royal Hotel.

THE GRAND HOTEL, LAWSON, is under entirely new management, and replete with every comfort and conv., having been refurnished and decorated throughout. Unlimited water for bathrooms. Smoke, reading, and private suites of Rooms. Billiard-room for sole use of Boarders, Free. Terms, £2 2s weekly.

Apartments, Board and Residence.

A. A.—200 ROOMS furnished and unfurnished, board when required. Cooke, 125 Phillip-st., city.

ABBO, 195 William-st., city.—Furn. ROOMS for gentlemen, also m. c., bath, use kit., 10 min. G.P.O.

A.—BED and Sitting Rooms, use kit., suit m. couple, 10s week. 252 Upper Forbes-st., Darlinghurst.

A COMFORTABLE Home for gentleman, bath, latchkey, piano, terms moderate. 40 Pitt-st., Redfern.

A. A.—Comfortable Home, including breakfast and late dinner, 10s weekly. Ivy Lodge, 41 Pitt-st., Redfern.

A.—COMFORTABLE Rooms for single gentn., 3s, 4s, 5s, 6s week. 252 Upper Forbes-st., Darlinghurst.

A.—DOUBLE Bedrooms, use kit., suit m. couple, 7s, 8s, 9s week. 252 Upper Forbes-st., Darlinghurst.

A FURNISHED ROOM, suit m. c., first floor, also Room single man. 29 Macquarie-st. South, Hyde Park.

A.—FURN. Sin. Doub. Rooms, centre city, resp., bath, keys, every conv., 4s and 5s week. 9 Bathurst-st.

APARTMENTS furn., unfur., double and s. Rooms, m.c., ladies in bus., every con. 340 Bourke-st., S.H.

APARTMENTS at Marli, 123 Macquarie-st. N., facing the Palace Gardens, lib. terms to visitors, residents.

A SINGLE ROOM, also Balcony Room, suit two friends, board optional. 254 Elizabeth-st., Belmore Park.

AT 32 Carrington-st., Wynyard-sq.—Double and single ROOMS vacant; terms moderate.

AT EURABAH, Ocean-st., Woollahra.—VACANCIES, terms moderate. Telephone, 119 Edgecliffe.

AT 160 Phillip-st., city.—Double front ROOM, on ground floor, suit as bed and sitting room.

AT SORRENTO, 52 and 54 Macleay-st., Potts Point.—Splendidly furnished Apartments vacant. Terms mod.

AT 132 Hargrave-st., Paddington.—Young man can have all Home comforts, private family. Terms mod.

AT ASTONLEIGH, 308 Bourke-st.—Board and Residence for gentlemen. Terms moderate.

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SIT. wanted by middle-aged woman, Caretaker, Laundress, &c., good refs. C. E. S., Park-st. P.O.

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WANTED by day, as Cook, Laundress, or Charwoman, references. Constant, P.O., Williams-st.

WANTED, by young Girl from country, light SITUATION, refs. M. O., 4 Burton-st., Camperdown.

WANTED, Situation, by Chinese Gardener, milk, mow, drive, and gen. useful. Wing Lee, Corso, Manly.

WANTED, by respectable young woman, Situation as General, good refs; state wages. F., Bondi P.O.

WANTED, by resp. girl, SITUATION General, good references. M. F., 54 Bathurst-st.

WANTED, by resp. young Woman, Sit. as General in small family. E. M., 125 Elizabeth-st., Redfern.

WANTED, by respectable Girl, Situation, to assist in h'work, useful, 25s. c. Walker and Phillip sts, R'fern.

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AT Miss Butler's, 118 C'reagh-st.—Wanted, comp. Woman Cook, for gent.'s fam., kitchenmaid kept.

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WANTED, BOY, used to office work; also good GENERAL. The Select Agency, 45 Hunter-st.

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WANTED, General SERVANT, references required. Apply 40 Gloucester-st., city, 9 o'clock.

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WANTED, Work. Housekeeper, for Mundoonen, bake bread, &c. 4 fam., energetic, temperate. Sta. Police.

WANTED, respectable young GIRL, about 16 or 18, for housework. Apply 203 Pitt-st., city.

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WANTED, good General SERVANT, must be good plain cook. Apply T. Ridgway, 3rd Crescent.

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WANTED, a General SERVANT. Apply Vassalo, Lopez-st., Waverley.

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WANTED, smart young Girl, COOK and LAUNDRESS; after 9 o'clock. 148 Phillip-st.

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WANTED, young GENERAL. 11 Albemarle, Kingston, side entrance, after 9.

WANTED, good strong GENERAL. Apply, after 9, Leichhardt Hotel, Balmain-rd., Leichhardt.

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WANTED, respectable BOY, 15, read and write. J. Goldschmidt, 161 Goulburn-st.

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